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CASH DEAL FOR 'ROOS

By Keith Gilmour

A very beneficial package for Australian Soccer will be unwrapped in August.

Retiring ASF executive director Brian Le Fevre made this quite clear in an interview with ASW.

A report from Spain put the value of the sponsorship at \$1.25 million for the next two years.

The sponsorship announcement was predicted in ASW 10 weeks ago.

Doubts over the future were raised last week by our Melbourne correspondent Fred Villiers.

But Le Fevre, who quits his post on July 23, is in no doubt.

He said: "Sir Arthur George is completing his discussions with Patrick Nally of sports promoters West Nally in Spain.

"West Nally will be guaranteeing a major investment in the national senior and national youth teams.

"You can rest assured that very substantial funding is involved."

Which is great news.

There is now no doubt that national coach Les Scheinflug has his chance to get down to real business and rebuild the Socceroos

in their bid to be in Colombia in 1986.

With the impending lifting of the burdens of office, Soccer's No 1 diplomat talked freely of past, present and future.

"The 1974 World Cup campaign was certainly a highlight.

"We managed to get the Australian Soccer League off the ground in 1977 after one year's preparation thanks to the participation of Philips Industries.

"However it will take another five or 10 years to go places, but that isn't long in football terms," he said.

He wants the national coach and a top administrator to put together as Asian tour to build the side.

And he has no illusions over the growing strength of so many of our opponents, which in turn will put pressure on our part-time players set-up.

In NSW he foresees the need for re-appraisal of the single-minded investment of precious capital in the Parklea project.

In Victoria he agrees that

there is justification for ASW's bid to have ways found to open up junior Soccer for the public at large.

He stated: "The VSF produces some really good kids, but secretary George Wallace and a small band can't be expected to adequately cover this huge area of Soccer."

On the unification of the NSW Soccer Federation and the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation, he has no objection to amalgamation provided that the juniors continue to run their own ship as they do now.

"Their progress is one of the best features of the code, and it is noteworthy that they handled it themselves," he added.

On the question of having been forced off the Soccer scene he simply said: "That suggestion is very, very wrong."

ASW joins with Soccer people everywhere in wishing Brian Le Fevre and his wife Lois a happy and healthy time in their new North Queensland environment.



• TOP: Italy striker, Paolo Rossi, rises high against Poland.

• RIGHT: England's Kenny Samson grimaces in a clash with West Germany's Wolfgang Dremmler.



SOUTHS WANT WOODDIN

By Con Nikolopoulos

South Melbourne is not about to let New Zealand international forward Steve Wooddin retire.

Souths committee has asked the Kiwi World Cup star to reconsider his future with the Melbourne Philips Soccer League club.

Wooddin has come out publicly and said he plans

to retire from the game because he has secured a top executive job.

But South Melbourne president Sam Papasavas discards the possibility of a national hero retiring from the game at such a

young age.

He argues that Wooddin is only trying to force his club to agree to release him at any price, in the fear of losing everything.

South Melbourne recruited Wooddin from Dunedin last June for a fee of \$20,000. He was recommended by the then coach John Margaritis.

His career in Melbourne was very short-lived. He sustained a very nasty ankle injury during the night competition, which casted serious doubts about his future.

He later had a recurrence of the injury.

Meanwhile, New Zealand had qualified for the World Cup and Wooddin had become more eager

to return to the playing fields.

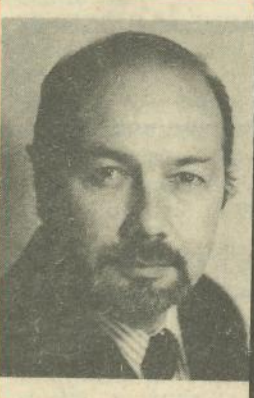
In good faith, South Melbourne satisfied his request so he could complete his therapy at home, while the New Zealand team prepared for the most crucial stage of the World Cup.

Contrary to the provisions of his contract, Wooddin refused to return to Melbourne, "invoking personal reasons".

South Melbourne made a number of attempts to convince the player to return. They proved fruitless because of the player's determination to continue his career in New Zealand.

South Melbourne is examining every option

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Fred Villiers, the most experienced Soccer writer and television commentator in Melbourne, has joined the staff of ASW.

He will cover the Victorian State scene, as well as providing hard-hitting and controversial news.

This week he asks whether Les Scheinflug is the right man for the national coaching job.

EDITORIAL

This year's World Cup organisers took a strong stand against violence and in favour of fair play.

FIFA had already joined the International Association against violence in sport, and president Dr Joao Havelange called upon all 24 competing Football Associations to sign the relevant pledge.

The document was signed by the national president or general secretary, and for preference also by the coach and team captain as well.

The pledge says: "Violence distorts and disgraces sport. We are going to play the World Cup watched by hundreds of millions of spectators.

"We are aware of our responsibilities and undertake to play with respect for the Laws, the referees and our opponents. We shall do our utmost to ensure that the World Cup will be a display of manly conduct and that the triumph will be football's."

Notwithstanding the lofty tones of the statement subscribed to by FIFA, at times we have seen cynical fouls and brutal tackles and a few disreputable incidents behind the play.

But if the 1982 World Cup ends as it began it will be a tournament to remember.

Outnumbering by far the events that can incite crowds to misbehave have been many passages of exquisite play, supreme skills and at times stout-hearted and clever defence.

In the opening match, when a Belgian player went down injured, an Argentine player kicked the ball out of play so he could be treated. When the Belgian player took the throw-in to resume play, he threw it to an Argentinian defender — a fine gesture to open the cup.

Soccer football has to succeed and continue to succeed on its skills, which are supreme amongst the football codes.

There should be no room for the "biters, kickers, gougers and the like" and for the situation whereunder "League is a violent game" as referred to by a leading Rugby League writer in a recent column concerning his own game.

Our Australian characteristic, no matter for what background the players come, is one of heart and drive. To that we must add loads and loads of supreme Soccer skills.

As Tommy Docherty has been in England recently, the "What's up, Doc" column has been withheld this week.

WAS SCHEINFLUG'S TRIP NECESSARY?

Asks Fred Villiers

Was national coach Les Scheinflug's journey to Spain really necessary?

Is Scheinflug really the man to get us to the next World Cup finals in 1986?

With all my respect to him and, as likeable a chap that he is, I don't think so.

I really don't think Les is equal to rub shoulders with Menotti, Greenwood or Santana.

We have all seen the new-look style of play on our TV screens during the past week.

The Brazilians dazzled us with their skills and ball control.

Countries like Algeria, Cameroon and Kuwait have shown the benefit of good coaching.

Only a few years ago these countries didn't exist in the Soccer world.

It's obvious that South American influence and particularly Brazil is now being recognised.



SCHEINFLUG ... SMILING FACE

But we here still cling to the old ideas that we can hand over our national team to someone whose credentials are that he was once a former Soccerroo and has a smiling face.

The ASF spent money to send Scheinflug to Spain and I understand that he chose to stay with the Czechoslovakian team. How far they

went we all know.

Now with the second round, semi-finals and final being played, Scheinflug has since returned to Australia.

The question must be asked: Was this trip really necessary?

Wouldn't the money be better spent in bringing a top Brazilian coach here for at least six weeks for an intensive course for Les and other State coaches?

The Brazilian style of play is the future style of

Soccer as it will be played in the 21st century.

Australia — as suggested by AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY writer Keith Gilmour last week — should take advantage of their methods.

TAKE A LOOK AT PITCHES: VEST

By Tom McKain

West Adelaide coach Alan Vest had plenty to say the other week about the pitch at Wollongong.

While admitting it was the same for both teams, he claims it does the game no good, and one of the drawbacks to improved Soccer is the condition of other pitches, not just the Wollongong ground.

"I'm thankful we are lucky enough to be able to play at Hindmarsh Stadium as our home ground," he said.

"And visiting teams should also be pleased with

the surface there, plus the accommodation."

Hindmarsh, the headquarters of the SA Soccer Federation, received an SA Government grant to give the stadium and dressing rooms a facelift for the World Youth Championship last year.

The rest of the time they are on a school ground at Plympton which has inadequate lighting and a shocking surface.

"When we talk about improving the game with better Soccer, coaches and clubrooms, we shouldn't forget the playing areas," said Vest.

"It's not just for the players. The public pays to see good Soccer, but if a match is turned into a farce because a pitch is churned up by being used too often, or can't take a drop of rain, then the game will not progress."

THE YOUTHS WILL "SWEAT" IT OUT

By Brad Earl

Australian Youth coach, Les Scheinflug, said the four-day camp held in Sydney last week went "excellently".

"We need more games against PSL teams and youth teams to gain confidence," Scheinflug said, "and of course we need international experience."

He said that the heat and humidity in Port Moresby, Papua-New Guinea, in December — when Australia embarks on the first qualifying steps to the 1983 World Youth Championship — will be a severe test.

Perhaps the Australian Soccer Federation will look at staging one of the monthly training camps in Cairns, Townsville or Mackay near the end of the year to get the players accustomed to the sapping heat.

Scheinflug expressed faith in the players to do the job ahead of them.

There will obviously be pressure on the eventual team and the coach to maintain the high standard set by last year's Youth team in Coca-Cola Cup competition.

Les Scheinflug's work with that squad — and the fighting spirit in the team was partly due to his influence — saw him appointed as coach for the next Youth squad, and he was appointed full national coach for two years, with a further two-year option.

His appointment as a national coach without a national team has attracted criticism, but Scheinflug believes planning for international matches will come to the fore at the August meeting of the Australian World Cup committee.

PSL RESULTS

WOLLONGONG 3 (O'Connor, Adam, Dunleavy) b CANBERRA ARROWS 0 at Wollongong Showground. Crowd: 3,148.

SYDNEY CITY 5 (Kosmina 4, Patikas) b BRISBANE GLADIATORS 2 (Bohan, Palinkas) at Sydney Athletic Field. Crowd: 1,018.

WEST ADELAIDE 5 (Dunn, Manecas, Boath, Honeyman, Heys) b LEICHHARDT 2 (Giampaolo, Kafka) at Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd: 3,325.

BRISBANE LIONS 1 (Sunderland) b HEIDELBERG 0 at Richlands Stadium. Crowd: 3,100.

MARCONI 3 (Mariani, Sharne, Licata) b ST GEORGE 1 (Barton) at Marconi. Crowd: 2,681.

ADELAIDE CITY 3 (Villani 2, Manou) b SYDNEY OLYMPIANS 1 (Koussas) at Pratten Park. Crowd: 4,457.

NEWCASTLE KB 2 (Hamilton, Drinkwater) b PRESTON 1 (Ward) at Conner Reserve. Crowd: 3,000.

SOUTH MELBOURNE 3 (Egan 2, Halford) b FOOTSCRAY 2 (Ristovski, Simic) at Middle Park. Crowd: 5,000.

TOP SCORERS

17 — Kosmina (SC)
15 — Egan (SM)
13 — Marton (SG)
12 — Koussas (SO), Honeyman (WA)
11 — Giampaolo, Soper (L)
10 — Campbell, Cole (H)
9 — J. Nyskohus (AC), Brown (Preston), O'Connor (Woll).

WIN A TRIP TO EUROPE

Here is another coupon for AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY's exciting 1982 reader contest.

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There are no headaches connected with this contest. It is simple to enter and you may send in as many entries as you wish.

The more entries you submit, the bigger your winning chance.

All you have to do is predict the 1982 Philips Soccer League "player of the year" as judged by ASW writers.

Our reporters will attend every game in the PSL this year and will award points out of five to the best player in each team.

Last year's top PSL player on the votes of ASW experts was Terry Byrne of Canberra Arrows. Byrne won a return flight from Sydney to Rome by Alitalia jet.

We thought it would be a good idea if an

ASW reader, as well as the top player, could win a European trip. That's why we devised this new contest — especially for you.

ASW guarantees that EVERY coupon received at our office will go into the drum for the big draw at the end of the season.

At a special function, a distinguished guest will draw the coupons one by one out of the drum. As soon as he draws out a coupon with our "player of the year" correctly named, we'll have the contest winner.

From time to time during the year, ASW will list the names of players polling well. This will give you a valuable formguide. But the actual number of points for each player will NOT be published. (We cannot give away too many secrets!)

The contest will run through most of the PSL season, so why not develop the habit of posting in a coupon every week after you have read your copy of ASW?

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ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS, TOMMY

I have a lot of respect for Tommy Docherty, but after reading his article in the Melbourne Herald, I must say that I was rather surprised.

He did nothing else but criticise everything and everybody, which made me think that here we have another Rudi Gutendorf.

He pointed out the fact that most coaches in Australia are only equipped with enthusiasm and not knowledge.

If that's the case, why isn't he willing to do something about it? Surely with his experience and knowledge he could do a lot for coaches.

I for one, would love to attend a lecture given by Tommy, as I would have when Rudi was here for three years, but unfortunately he never held one, to my knowledge. Certainly we could benefit from having a few of these lectures from people who regard themselves so much better than the rest — or are they?

Then he went on to say that he didn't like the way Preston plays, in fact that are worse



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than a pub team.

In my way of thinking, a coach must always look at his team first, before making such a statement, because it's always easier to criticise the other rather than yourself.

Just to get the facts

right. After 21 rounds of the PSL Preston are in eighth place and South Melbourne in 10th place.

I am not trying to compare the two teams, as I haven't the right, but if Preston are a pub team, according to Tom-

my, I'd hat to think of a name for his team.

I once remember somebody having a go at Rudi Gutendorf, and he was quick to reply "Do you think I am from the jungle?"

Well, the last report I heard was that he is lost somewhere in Africa.

SMALL MERCIES

By Fred Villiers

Marshall MacCullum, a former star player with Slavia, took to the pen last week when he wrote a letter to The Age newspaper in Melbourne.

It made fascinating reading. Because of its importance we reproduce it for Australian Soccer Weekly readers:

"There has been considerable criticism levelled at the ABC's World Cup presentation. Let's not be too harsh on them.

"Soccer's slice of the media's pie in this country has always been paltry, especially in Melbourne, where the media are obsessed in flogging a football game they know will only graze in a few selected paddocks.

"Where else but here could we watch a programme such as Channel 7's World of Sport in which more time is devoted to a woodchopping contest than to a segment on the World Cup?

"So let's thank the ABC for small mercies and enjoy the skills and magic of the world's top footballers, be it recorded highlights or live telecast."

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open to them in case Wooddin refuses to negotiate his return with the club.

"We are just not prepared to let Wooddin go," said Papasavas.

"We agreed to let the player fulfil his international commitments on the understanding that he would return to Melbourne immediately after the World Cup."

Papasavas said that his club has involved the New Zealand Soccer Association in the matter to act as mediator between the club and the player.

Souths have experienced bad times with the New Zealand players signed by the club.

Grant Turner was also on Souths' books. But he left the club after a clash with the committee, and was transferred back to his original team.



STEVE WOODDIN

SOUTHS IMPATIENT WITH THE DOC

By Con Nikolopoulos

South Melbourne are becoming impatient with Tommy Docherty, and have started searching for his replacement.

If the Doc does not turn up this week, as he promised during his last telephone conversation with Sam Papasavas, chances are that Souths will appoint a new manager-coach.

Docherty assured



Papasavas that he managed to settle his differences with his former wife

and that he was catching the first plane to Australia.

The team, however, took the field on Sunday with caretaker Mike Watson, and despite the win, Papasavas made it clear that he is not prepared to tolerate the situation any

longer.

Docherty's contract with South Melbourne provides that if he gains employment with another club, both local or overseas, within the period of

time he is bound to them, they will collect an agreed fee of \$75,000.

This clause of the contract makes Papasavas confident that the 'Doc' will return to Australia.

WORLD CUP STAR

SIGNED FOR GREEK CLUB OLYMPIAKOS

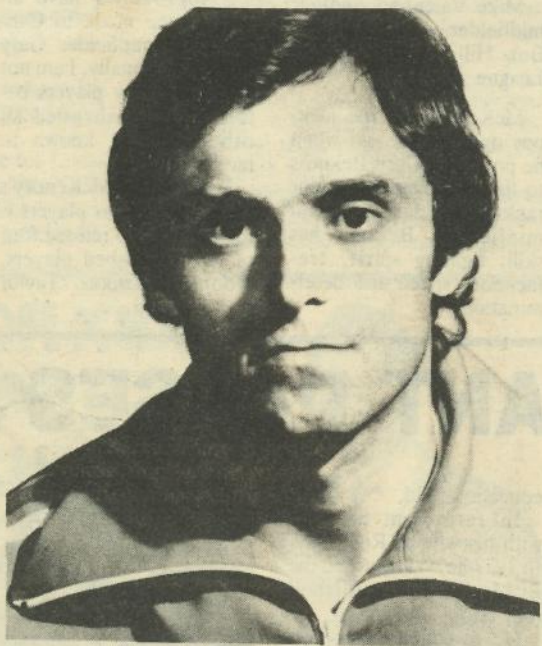
By Michael Mystakidis

Marian Masny, the Czechoslovakian World Cup star, after returning home from Spain, signed a two-year contract with the three-time consecutive Greek champion, Olympiakos.

The Greek club paid \$200,000 for his signature. The transfer has been confirmed by the Greek ship tycoon and president of Olympiakos, Mr Stavros Daifas.

Masny, a regular with the Slovan Bratislava club, was one of Joe Venglos' key players in Spain and played against England and France.

The Czechoslovakian star played 76 times for the national team, and can easily be named one of the best of his country.



MARIAN MASNY

Alketas Panagoulas, coach of Olympiakos, who renewed his contract with the champions for one more

year, said: "Masny is an excellent player, good distributor and scorer. He is perfect for our team."

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PERSONALITY OF THE WEEK



LEN McKENDRY

Len McKendry accepted the daunting task of reviving Heidelberg last year when Manny Poulakakis could no longer perform miracles.

The team was languishing at the bottom, performances were deteriorating, and relegation was a distinct possibility.

Discontent, disharmony, and lack of motivation appeared to be some of the reasons for the collapse.

In the previous season, Heidelberg had celebrated its first title in the Philips League, winning the Top Four Cup.

It was McKendry who led Heidelberg to that triumph, and his departure from the club at the commencement of the 1981 season, due to economic reasons, was a big shock to the players.

Mounting pressure forced the committee to reinstate McKendry as coach midway through last season, hoping that his return would revive interest among the players.

McKendry's magic touch converted Heidelberg's pathetic performers to uncompromising executors.

The team finished eighth in 1981, and McKendry became the hero of the Heidelberg camp.

Apart from saving the club from relegation, McKendry was credited with the promotion to the first team of three promising young players.

Charlie Yankos became a permanent member of the squad, as a result of Jim Tansey's serious knee injury which kept him on the sidelines for almost a year.

Tom Tasevski and John Michaelidis were also promoted to the Philips League team, and were used alternatively whenever the circumstances made it possible.

What does McKendry think of his success?

"Certainly it did not come very easy," he said.

"I knew I had accepted a mammoth task and I just performed to the best of my ability.

"Much of the credit must go to the players. They are the ones who responded."

His reappointment for the ensuing season was a formality after the election of the new committee.

New president Sam Gouloupoulos emphasised from his first day in office that

Len McKendry was the only guarantee for success he could offer to his membership.

McKendry had to seriously consider some important factors before accepting the appointment.

He had to consider the limited finances of the club and the immediate bearing on its recruiting policy.

The committee had decided to operate on a shoe-string budget, which discarded all possibilities of recruiting some key players they were in immediate need of.

It was also decided to reduce the size of the existing squad to the barest minimum possible, in order to reduce the running costs.

Confident in himself and his players, McKendry accepted the terms offered and started preparing his side for the championship marathon.

The recruitment of young talented players became his prime aim.

Scouting day and night amongst the club's junior teams and the lower divisions of Victoria, he spotted some talents whom he did not hesitate to recruit for his PSL side.

Seventeen-year-old midfielder Claude Ivian was McKendry's first recruit from Rossana, a Provisional League club.

Mike Valentine, another midfielder, was signed from Box Hill, a Metropolitan League side.

McKendry hit the jackpot only weeks ago when he promoted Chris Bekiaris to the PSL from the junior ranks of the club. A natural

midfielder, Bekiaris has skill, fighting spirit, tremendous speed and determination.

Both Valentine and Bekiaris, established themselves in the side, succeeding long-serving players, Jim Rooney and Andrew Bozikas, recently released by the club.

Despite the handicaps, Heidelberg entered the current season quite impressively.

Some tremendous wins early in the championship established Heidelberg among the leaders of the competition.

"We are up there with the leaders and that's where we intend to stay," he said.

Commenting on his recruitments, McKendry says with confidence that they are young players with a lot of potential, capable of establishing themselves in the Philips League.

"I have always argued that there is enough talent in Australia waiting to be discovered and developed. I do not think that Australian Soccer must rely on imports any more. We have grown as a Soccer nation, and have become self-sufficient."

Can Heidelberg afford to invest on "ready to use" players?

"The finances of the club have improved quite dramatically since the commencement of the season, enabling the committee to recruit established players."

"Approaches have already been made to Canberra for midfielder Gary Byrne. Personally, I am not rushing to buy players before I have exhausted all other avenues known to me."

Indicative of McKendry's confidence in his players is his decision to release four of his established players, Rooney, Bozikas, Taylor and Tasevski.



JIMMY TANSEY

"Having a small squad, we cannot carry players who do not perform according to our needs. I have a lot of respect for all of the players we released, but the interests of the club force me to take decisions contrary to my personal feelings."

"Current members of the squad give me what I demand from them and above all, the all-important good results."

What impact has Jim Tansey had on the side since his return?

"Well, there is no doubt in anybody's mind that Jim Tansey is one of Australia's finest defenders. His return has had a tremendous impact. Not only has it boosted the confidence of his team-mates, but it has also increased our attacking power from the left. Jim is a great asset to the team and I only hope that he will keep on performing as brilliantly as he is doing at the moment."

Does McKendry accept the argument that Jim Campbell carries the team?

"Indeed Campbell is a great player and in tremendous form at the moment. But since Soccer is a team game, it is unfair to ignore the positive contribution of the other players in the side."

Heidelberg supporters should feel proud of what McKendry has achieved.

He has performed the impossible since he took control of Heidelberg United.



McKENDRY LOOKS PENSIVE AS HE WATCHES HIS TEAM LOSING TO ST GEORGE EARLIER THIS SEASON. SITTING ALONGSIDE HIM IS JIMMY ROONEY, THEN THE HEIDELBERG CAPTAIN.

"GRAND OLD MAN" SID GRANT PASSES AWAY

Soccer's Grand Old Man, Sid Grant, is no longer with us.

He passed away a fortnight ago. A private cremation ceremony was attended by his immediate family.

Sid Grant's interest in Soccer was sparked from that day way back in 1907 when his uncle took him along to the Newcastle Showground to see Broadmeadow and Pymont meet in the final of the Gardiner Cup.

He played as a youngster for Kurri Kurri and later became club president. He treasured Soccer on his beloved Coalfields until the very end.

As the Australian Soccer Federation's honorary historian he put countless hours into recording the history of the game.

For 36 years he wrote Soccer in Newcastle and was particularly well known as "Celtic" of the Newcastle Sun.

At other times Sid Grant was NSW Soccer Associa-

tion president, a national councillor and selector.

He was at the fore of the move that created the NSW State Soccer League in 1928.

Bringing together the Sydney, South Coast, Newcastle and Coalfields in a major competition back in the era was a move of the dimensions of the formation of the national Philips Soccer League of 1977.

He rued the day when depression conditions and the absence of the popular semi-finals, finals and

grand finals system cost the sport dearly.

So in 1951 as assistant state secretary he reorganised Northern NSW Soccer and brought the migrant-based club Greta Austral to the fore.

He would very much have liked to see the northern coalfields as members of the PSL.

No word on Sid Grant would be complete without reference to his dedications to schoolboy Soccer.

As a headmaster he did wonders for the game in the

education field.

In retirement he lived with his wife at Rose Bay. In 1977 he was awarded the BEM, and he published four books on Soccer.

He compiled "Jack Pollard's Soccer Records", which contains much of the history of Australian Soccer.

As a final salute to one of nature's gentlemen it is fitting to publish a photograph from one of his publications — "The History of Coalfields Soccer".

— Keith Gilmour



Here the late Mr Grant presents the Mayor of Cessnock to H. Robb, captain of the visiting English Amateur team, at Cessnock back in 1937.



CAPTAIN SOCCEROO

WITH
JOHNNY
WARREN

THE YOUNG LIONS

Australia's Soccer future depends on its ability to develop its own players.

While it is one thing to boast 500,000-plus junior players, just how many of those players break into senior football and into the Socceroo team?

The most pleasing aspect of PSL and State League Soccer in recent years has been the emergence of so many young local players.

Each week in Australian Soccer Weekly we will introduce one of Australian Soccer's young lions — local youngsters who are making their mark at the top.

GARY PHILLIPS

The first time I met Gary Phillips was at a coaching clinic I conducted in Coffs Harbour back in 1978.

He stood out from the rest of the boys, and local officials were raving about his potential.

I didn't see him again until early this season.

In that time Gary Phillips had travelled a long way and certainly justified the faith placed in him by Coffs Harbour officials.

When I saw him play for Sydney Olympians against Leichhardt, the Olympians were setting Soccer alight with their exciting brand of attacking and entertaining football.

Phillips was not just making up the numbers with Olympians either.

His composure and ability were far beyond his years and there is little doubt he made a major contribution to Olympians' fine performances earlier this season.

A natural sportsman (surfing, rugby league and karate - his speciality) Gary had Soccer in his blood. His father Les was a first team contemporary of Bobby Madden with Bankstown in the old Association and early Federation days.

Gary was born on June 9, 1963 at Bankstown and played his early football with the North Bankstown club.

He well remembers his first game — as a three and a half year old in the under 6s. He recalls he came off the field crying as he didn't get a kick in the entire match.

At eight years, Gary and the family moved to Sawtell, near Coffs Harbour, on the NSW mid-north coast, playing for Sawtell, catching the eye of northern selectors and winning representative honours in the Northern NSW U14, U15, U16, U19 teams.

The year 1979 was the turning point of Gary's Soccer career.

He travelled to the USA with Northern NSW U15 team playing games in Los Angeles, New York, St Louis, San Francisco, Washington, Boston as well as receiving Australian schoolboys honours, playing the early game to the Australia v Cosmos match in Sydney.

Then a student at Coffs Harbour High, Gary was selected for Australian Schoolboys in 1979, 1980 and 1981.

In 1979 he was also a first teamer with Coffs Harbour in the newly-formed Northern NSW State League.

Late in 1981, in a trial game for Combined High Schools against the NSW Youth team, Gary was spotted by Sydney Olympic's youth coach Lubo Goykovic,



who suggested Gary trial with Olympians at the start of the 1982 season.

Goykovic, Olympic's PSL coach Doug Collins and the club management were impressed and signed Phillips to a one-year contract which has since been extended to the 1983 season.

"A tremendous talent with good all-round ability whose excellent vision and responsibility are his greatest asset," says Doug Collins.

"His absence from the first team at the moment is only temporary and stems from the enormous pressure put on us all by that horror stretch of recent losses.

"He must improve his forward runs into space when gaps appear — just like Liverpool's Terry McDermott.

"If he can learn this I see a great future for him."

Phillips attributes his startling progress to Doug Collins: "A great coach who has given me confidence and always stood by me," and skipper Andy Scott, "He has always encouraged me especially when I was dropped from the first team a few weeks ago."

He also says that the experience of playing close to Jim Redfern, Peter Katholos and Peter Raskopoulos has been a great benefit.

Gary feels he needs to be fitter to improve his capacity to take people on if he is to become a better player.

Spurs' Glen Hoddle and Southampton's Kevin Keegan are his favourite overseas players.

Gary lives at Bronte and works as a sales trainee with TNT along side other identities Ron Tilsed, Mark Trenter and Kenny Wilson.

Gary's immediate aim is to get back into Olympic's first team. And his long term goal is a spot in Australia's 1986 World Cup team (he misses out on this year's youth team by 53 days).

All of which may seem a bit ambitious but not unrealistic to the country boy who has travelled so far in the past 12 months.

TASMAN CUP

The Tasman Cup knockout has finally been reduced to 16 qualifying teams from a total of more than 280 entries.

Due to there being 11 regions in Combined High School Sport, five regions with the greatest number of entries were permitted to have two regional finalists to

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The regions with two qualifying teams are Hunter, Central Metropolitan, South Coast, Liverpool and St George.

The draw for the final 16 has been broken up with two pools, A and B:

POOL A		SCHOOL TEAMS	LAST 8	LAST 4
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HUNTER: 1:		WHITEBRIDGE:		
NORTH SYDNEY:		CROMER:		
CENTRAL METROPOLITAN: 1:		MARSDEN:		
METROPOLITAN WEST:		MT DRUITT (WINNER) CUMBERLAND:		
CENTRAL METROPOLITAN: 2:		EPPING:		
NORTH WEST:		DUVAL:		
HUNTER: 2:		RAYMOND TERRACE:		
POOL B				
FAR SOUTH COAST:		GOULBURN:		
RIVERINA:		WAGGA (WINNER) ALBURY:		
LIVERPOOL: 1:		CABRAMATTA:		
ST GEORGE: 1:		JANNALI:		
LIVERPOOL: 2:		PUNCHBOWL BOYS:		
WESTERN:		LITHGOW:		
ILLAWARRA SOUTH COAST:		CORRIMAL:		
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TIPS FOR KIDS, PARENTS & TEACHERS

This week's tips come from Sydney Olympic coach Doug Collins. He has transformed Sydney Olympic from entertainers who didn't win — into entertainers who do win and has them in the highest position ever in the Philips League.

- Youngsters must be dedicated.
- They have to work hard at the game.

- They must work on their basic skills such as heading, tackling, dribbling, kicking and receiving the ball.

- Concentrate on one of the skills which is totally ignored which is running with the ball (coaches encourage youngsters to run with the ball as we need more players who can beat opponents).
- Finally, ENJOY THE GAME.



DOUG COLLINS



CAPTAIN CHRIS CELEBRATES WITH A GOAL

By Phil Murphy

Wollongong City captain, Chris Dunleavy, celebrated his 50th PSL appearance with a goal when the Wolves outplayed Canberra Arrows to win 3-0 at Wollongong Showground.

A presentation was made to Dunleavy before the kickoff as he had completed his half century of consecutive appearances in the 2-1 win over Footscray a week earlier.

The experienced English defender has played in every PSL game with the club. And if you add all cup and trial matches, he has played more than 100 times without missing a game.

He could well have celebrated the occasion with a hat-trick because he had a brilliant header saved by Canberra goalkeeper, Steve Hoszowski, and also hit the post with another header.

Wollongong continued their run of success — having taken 14 points from their last eight games — and made Canberra appear a very ordinary outfit.

No-one really stood out for the Wollongong side but once Phil O'Connor gave them the lead after 52 minutes, the game, was as good as over.

O'Connor is having a freak run, heading in goals in the last five games and becoming the club's leading scorer.

He was on the spot to head home a Lee Adam cross to put the Wolves in front and three minutes later Adam netted from the penalty spot to make it 2-0 after Ambrosini handled.

The third goal came when Dunleavy hit a first-time shot from 20 metres after Roy Cotton hit the bar and the ball rebounded.

It could easily have been 6-0 to the home side because Canberra's defence was always struggling and Peter Tredinnick hit the woodwork near the end after a good run up the middle.

The Wolves midfield of Tredinnick, Adam, John Fleming and newcomer Alan Waldron, always looked composed, knocking the ball around well and looking a class above what Canberra had to offer.

Gary Byrne was the pick of the Canberra side, while Ian Purdie never stopped trying to crack the tight Wollongong defence.

Arno Bertogna and Dunleavy again had big games at the back for Wollongong and Les Scheinflug will have to have a close look at Bertogna before naming his next Australian team.

WOLLONGONG: Preston, Willis, Bertogna, Dunleavy, Ainsworth, Adam, Fleming, Cotton; O'Connor, Tredinnick, Waldron.

CANBERRA: Hoszowski, Ontong, T.Byrne, Murray, Ambrosino, G.Byrne, Christopoulos, Bryant, MacLaren (Stone 67), Gibson, Purdie.

REFEREE: G.Power. CROWD: 3,148.

RETURN OF THE ROCKET INSPIRES MARCONI TO UPSET WIN

By John Economos

Marconi scored an upset 3-1 win over St George at Marconi and Peter Sharne, making his first guest appearance for his old club, celebrated his return from Hong Kong with a goal.

Although Marconi scored two goals in the first half, it was St George who dominated play with good build-ups from the back. However, all moves broke down in front of goal.

In fact, in only the fourth minute, Saints' tough little right-back, David Skeen, smashed a 35-yard shot that crashed onto the Marconi post.

In the 15th minute, against the run of play, Tony Henderson knocked a long cross into the St George box. Rocket Sharne dummied and the ball fell to Berti Mariani who casually shot for goal. The ball rebounded off the post into the net.

Marconi went further ahead when their brilliant young striker, Rene Licata, sent a top cross to the back stick to find his idol Sharne, who finished the job with a well-directed header into the net and stretch Marconi to a 2-0 lead after 20 minutes.

Saints looked set the fight back when their ace striker, Dez Marton, tried a snap shot on the turn only to see his effort well saved on the floor by Allan Maher early in the second half.

In the 75th minute Marcos Silva, Marconi's latest signing, put Licata through and the fleet footed striker busted his way up through the middle in a 45-metre run. Approaching St George goalkeeper Mike Fraser and in real professional style, Licata steadied himself before blasting his shot just inside the

left post to score Marconi's third goal.

Two minutes from the end Saints hit back with a nice goal when Marton combined with Skeen to set up replacement Mark Barton to score with a shot over the top of the Marconi goalkeeper.

Sharne showed that he still has a soft spot for the Marconi fans and they reciprocated. They gave him a big welcome when he ran onto the pitch, and

later when he entered the social club.

However, I must say that his partner-in-crime, 18-year-old Licata, is looking really good and had a good match setting up a goal and scoring one himself.

Marconi's midfield of Hunter, Silva and Henderson looked disjointed, but Steve Calderan at centre-back had a solid match.

For St George, left back Robbie O'Shea, his brother Johnny and Peter Stone, in midfield, had good performances, while strikers, Dez Marton and Rob Slater, found little space as they were tightly shut down by outside-backs Bozanic and Budini.

Paul Wilkinson will never get amongst the goals as he gets little aerial service from the flanks and his positional play for such crosses is starting to wander as well.

After the match Marconi coach, Dom Kapetanovic, said: "Sure it is good to win but I was

not happy with three players today. And that is not good for the team. We could have lost this match as it was not as easy as the score indicates."

MARCONI: Maher; Bozanic, Calderan, Prskalof, Budini; Hunter, H.Silva (M.Silva 58), Henderson; Sharne, Mariani, Licata.

ST GEORGE: Fraser; Skeen, Ratcliffe, M.O'Shea, R.O'Shea; J.O'Shea, Koritar (Barton 80), Stone; Slater, Wilkinson, Marton.

REFEREE: R.Lorenc. CROWD: 2,681.

SUNDERLAND GOES

Brisbane Lions guest player Alan Sunderland bowed out of Australian Soccer with a brilliantly-taken winning goal against Heidelberg at Richlands Stadium.

By Greg Russell

Australian youth squad member Danny Wright ran the ball from the halfway line then played it out to an overlapping Alan Niven. Niven beat Don MacLeod and knocked a great pass to Sunderland on the corner of the six-yard box on the left of the goal. With his back to the goal he dummied to go left then swivelled on his right foot and blasted the ball in from the acute angle.

The goal gave Lions a 1-0 victory and eased relegation worries for at least a week, but presented coach Joe Gilroy with the problem of finding a replacement for the Arsenal striker next week.

Lions have had a disastrous run of injuries to key players and Billy Williamson, Craig Low and Barry Ferris are on the side-lines, while several others who played last weekend were not fully fit.

The situation forced Lions last week to begin 11th hour transfer negotiations and the club sought extensions to the Queensland Soccer Federation's transfer deadline in relation to one former and two current Stage League players.

Lions were hoping to get Ipswich United midfielder-forward John Dann, Across The Waves winger Gary Bromfield and last year's State League leading scorer Gary Bohan, who this year did not return to his club Mount Gravatt and instead has been playing in a night commercial league, well below his standard.

"We are not abandoning our youth policy but you can't put five or six youngsters in the team at once. We need some old heads in

the middle of the park to help the younger players," Lions coach Joe Gilroy was quoted as saying.

Lions fielded probably the youngest midfield of any side in the PSL this year when they played Steve Hogg, Paul Burns and John Ogden, all under 22 years. But the trio combined well, with Hogg and Burns in particular having good games and the more matches they can get under their belts this season, the better for it they will be next year.

The three chased and fought for every ball and refused to let the Heidelberg midfield settle and, as their coach Len McKendry admitted later, this meant the forward line got little service.

In fact Gary Cole — who had a great tussle with Col Bennett — Jamie Paton, and new boy Chris Bekiaris could only manage one shot on target through the game compared to nine from the home side.

Lions were kept out though for more than 60 minutes by stout defending from Heidelberg, Charlie Yankos, filling in as sweeper for the injured John Yzendoorn, had a fine game and goalkeeper Jeff Olver made several good saves including a one-handed stop off a Sunderland header.

LIONS: Lowndes, McSkimmings, Atmore, Bennett, Niven, Ogden, Burns, Hogg, Wright, Sunderland, Millman.

HEIDELBERG: Olver, McMillan, McLeod, Yankos, Tansey, Selemidis, (Taylor 70), Campbell, Velentine, Bekiaris, Paton, Cole.

REFEREE: Allan Kibbler.

KOSSY AND MITCHDYNAMIC DUO

By Brad Earl

A few weeks ago, ASW's John Economos nicknamed John Kosmina and Dave Mitchell "Batman and Robin".

Sydney City's dual strikers lived up to that tag with a terrific performance as the Slickers blasted Brisbane City 5-2 at the Athletic Field.

Although Kosmina netted four goals — including a spectacular one in the Zico class — Mitchell was the unselfish hero of the team.

From the beginning the two were shadowed by Frank Liddell and Peter Tokesi, with Jimmy Hermiston sweeping.

Full-back Steve Perry had the role of marking Joe Watson, but when Watson withdrew into midfield, Perry pushed forward quite often, and at different stages looked like he was playing left winger, central striker, central midfielder and sweeper!

In fact that was one of the things that stood out with Brisbane City, as their players continually reversed roles.

Mitchell showed intelligence by shaking the marker with scything runs, and twice he burst into the penalty area in the second half, only to go crashing to the turf — once for a penalty.

Brisbane City coach, Nereo Saftich, made the point that the pair were the deciding factor in the match. Otherwise, the Gladiators were in with a chance, and just after half-time they had pulled a 2-0 deficit back to level terms.

Sydney City coach Eddie Thomson's opinion was that Brisbane City played well, and he said they were the equal of any side in the League.

However, to face facts, Brisbane City are stranded at

the bottom of the table, three points adrift.

Early Sydney City pressure culminated in a 10th minute goal scored by right midfielder Jimmy Patikas, who was lurking on the edge of the penalty area after a corner-kick. Brisbane keeper Tony Pezzano, off his line, got a hand to Patikas' shot, but it still reached the goal despite Steve Perry's desperate lunge to clear it off the line.

Perry was standing on the post when Nelio Borges rose high for a splendid header in the 39th minute, and he deliberately handled the ball to stop it going in — penalty.

Kosmina placed the shot low to the right of keeper Pezzano, who just threw himself forward — not sideways — in an attempt to save against his former teammate.

Just before the penalty offence, Saftich pulled off striker Steve Glockner — he said later that he wasn't doing enough and was too slow and tentative — and put on Joe Palinkas. Minutes later the substitute snatched a shocking cross-field pass from Ian Bruce and fed it into the path of Bevan Bohan, who hit a low shot from outside the box to score.

Four minutes after the break, Brisbane City equalised, to the surprise of the spectators, and it was a well-worked goal, with defenders Tokesi and Perry making the initial break-out. The ball was played to Bohan in the penalty area, who controlled it well and pushed it forward for Palinkas to run onto and slot home. However, one was left with the feeling that the Slickers defence should have done better.

Brisbane players thought "we're level" ... until they watched in amazement two minutes later when Kosmina scored a brilliant goal. With his back to goal 15 metres out, and the ball at shoulder-height, he hit a spectacular overhead kick to restore Sydney City's lead.

Mitchell burst into the penalty area 10 minutes later, chased by Liddell, and he went sprawling from the

effect of Liddell's challenge and Pezzano diving at his feet, and referee Doug Rennie pointed to the spot.

The penalty kick by Kosmina was virtually an action-replay of the first one, with Pezzano making no attempt to dive to either side of the goal.

Kenny Boden was sent on for the final quarter of an hour in place of Nelio Borges, who had a strong game in midfield, and he played a vital part in the build-up to the final goal, along with Watson and Johnny Spanos. A high ball was placed into the goalmouth from the right flank, and Mitchell drew the keeper and defenders as he went up for the ball, which dropped for Kosmina to finish off.

The strength of the Slickers was demonstrated by their ability to field adequate replacements for suspended stopper Steve O'Connor and midfielder Murray Barnes and winger Willie Murray (both injured).

However, Thomson said: "We missed Steve O'Connor's aerial power at the back. He will be back in next week, and we'll also find a place in midfield for Murray Barnes."

For Brisbane City, there lack of striking power and a poor showing from Pezzano were their two main weaknesses.

The defenders gave their all, while the midfielders, all playing deep, showed some good touches, particularly skipper Frank Pimblett in the centre and Bobby Hamilton on the left.

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke; Mullen, Bruce, Robertson, Cant; Spanos, Borges, Patikas, Watson; Kosmina, Mitchell.

BRISBANE CITY: Pezzano; Perry, Hermiston, Tokesi, Liddell; Hamilton, Conner, McVie, Pimblett; Bohan, Glockner (Palinkas 39).

REFEREE: Doug Rennie. CROWD: 1,018.



□ JONH KOSMINA, 4 goals

NEW RECRUIT NOTCHES WINNER FOR SOUTHS

By Con Nikolopoulos

South Melbourne's latest recruit, former Manchester City apprentice Karl Holford, notched the winner in the dying seconds against Footscray.

Souths came from behind to win 3-2 at Middle Park.

This incident packed game bore the stamp of brilliance of former international Branko Buljevic.

The veteran forward troubled Footscray's defence with his fine skills and engineered Souths three goals.

Souths set out for a convincing win, with a superb goal by Egan, only six minutes into the game.

Taking advantage of the slow pace of Footscray's central defenders, Souths defence pumped some deep through balls for Charlie Egan.

A quick exchange of the ball between Egan and Buljevic on the area line, produced the first goal.

Buljevic put Egan through, and he beat Ciric from close range.

South maintained pressure, with Egan creating havoc upfield.

A last minute stretch by Jim Kondarios in the 10th minute prevented Egan from scoring his second goal.

Footscray took their turn in the next minute. Towering Kondarios won an aerial battle from Steve Blair, but his header went narrowly wide.

Mendo Ristovski produced the thrill of the day with a shot which punctured Tsigaras' netting.

The colourful winger levelled the score with a thundering shot from the area which cut a hole in the net, allowing the ball to rest against the ground fencing.

Footscray balanced the game after the equaliser and gradually took control through their brilliant midfielders Zoran Illioski and Slodoban Jovanovic.

A comedy of errors produced Footscray's second goal, five minutes before half time.

Illioski took a corner from the left aiming at Kondarios. Milne brought the ball down for Kondarios whose shot was cleared off the goal line by Nikolaidis.

Cimic collected the clearance and fired a second shot through a wall of players.

The ball slipped through the bodies and landed in the corner of the net.

Impetus swung with Footscray in the second half. The visitors dominated the midfield, forcing South to defend desperately.

But South levelled against the run of play. Buljevic picked up a mispass by Hazabent, charged through two defenders and squared the ball to Egan. Unmarked in the box Egan had no troubles beating Ciric for the second time.

Footscray had no reply to the equaliser, despite their desperate efforts to penetrate Souths defence.

With the game drawing to an end, Ristovski broke away from the right and tried a shot which Tsigaras failed to control.

Right full back Gerry Bennett cleared the ball for a corner denying Illioski a perfect scoring opportunity.

Karl Holford, playing his sixth game for South Melbourne, scored the winning goal, seconds before full time.

Buljevic collected the ball in the centre and burst forward with Campbell on his right. Campbell collected a square pass which he relayed quickly to Egan.

Hazabent blocked Egan's shot dropping the ball to Holford's feet and he managed to push it in the net through Ciric's arms.

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Tsigaras, Bennett, Nikolaidis, Xanthopoulos, Blair, Holford, Shirra, Davidson, Campbell, Egan, Buljevic.

FOOTSCRAY: Ciric, Stojevski, Hazabent, O'Reilly, Kondarios, Milne, Illioski, Jovanovic, Cimic, Kojic (Curovic 72), Ristovski.

CROWD: 5,000

REFEREE: C. Bambridge.

HAWKS USE BREEZE IN SECOND HALF ROMP

The Hindmarsh Stadium breeze blew West Adelaide up a 5-2 win over Leichhardt and carried them into third place, only a point behind St George.

By Tom McKain

With the score 1-1 at half-time and Leichhardt playing against the wind in the second half it looked anyone's game, but in the second period the Hawks harnessed the breeze and left Leichhardt standing.

West hit the front in the 11th minute when big centre-back Robbie Dunn nodded in a Neil McGachey free-kick.

But 10 minutes later, with the West defenders waiting for a non-existent offside, Baz Giampaolo waltzed round goalkeeper Martyn Crook to equalise.

Into the second half and the avalanche started in the 50th minute when Manecas took a pass from Kiwi international Allan Boath and gave Robert Parkes in the Leichhardt goal no show.

Five minutes later Boath tore in from the left and from 25 metres blasted the ball into the back of the net.

Then, as Graham Honeyman appeared to be latching onto a ball from captain Steve Sumner, visiting centre back Mark Pullen handballed and Honeyman converted the penalty in the 56th minute.

Then a blow for West. Midfield strongman Mickey Brennan was booked for a foul on John Bradley, and seconds later got sent off for a tackle on striker, Peter Jones.

But even down to 10 men West continued to use the wind and it was Graham Heys who

got the fifth goal in the 84th minute when his low shot took a deflection and finished behind the unfortunate Parkes.

Zdenko Kafka got a consolation effort for the visitors a minute from time when he blasted a shot from outside the box.

It was a day when anything could have happened as both coaches made drastic changes to their losing teams.

Leichhardt's Willie Wallace brought in newcomers Peter Jones and Bernard Godzik, newly-arrived from Scotland,

and originally had dropped Giampaolo.

Jones was bought from Blacktown and when Marshall Soper withdrew because of a virus, Giampaolo was given a reprieve to partner Jones.

West's Alan Vest dropped three youngsters — David Doorne, Steve Atsalas and Ian McKie.

He brought in Kiwi pair, Boath and Sumner, back from World Cup duty, and reinstated Portuguese forward, Manecas, who had been put out to pasture for weeks with the re-

ves in the State League Second Division.

The Kiwis took up midfield roles alongside Brennan and Ian McGregor dropped back to full-back.

Sumner urged his team on with some telling passes and generalship while Boath's destroying powers and strong running into space on the left created havoc for Leichhardt.

The Sydney side looked good in midfield in the first half with Alan Hughes a tower and Bradley a menace.

But they got lost in the second period when West started using the breeze with long balls.

The Brennan ordering-off incident followed the booking of

Jones for a shocking charge into West goalkeeper Crook.

Vest has taken the precaution of requesting an interstate referee for this weekend's visit to Brisbane City as the Hawks have had little "luck" with Queensland whistlers.

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook, Totsikas, McGregor, McGachey, Dunn, Boath (Maricic 87), Sumner, Brennan, Honeyman, Heys, Manecas.

LEICHHARDT: Parkes, Carter, McAusland, Bradley (De Ceglie 84), Pullen, Skellern, Godzik, Hughes, Jones, Kafka, Giampaolo.

REFEREE: D. Campbell (SA). CROWD: 3,325.

OLYMPIC HUMBLLED AT HOME

By Keith Gilmour

Superior tactics and teamwork carried the day at Pratten Park, where Adelaide City demonstrated clear superiority with a 3-1 victory.

Those precious two points from their second away win of the year helped to carry the Giants a little further from Brisbane City in the relegation zone, but Newcastle's away win at Preston keeps the pressure on them.

For Olympic it was a big blow to their pride. A win would have lifted them into second position in view of the Saints loss at Marconi.

Playing with exactly the same complement that had looked so ordinary against St George the previous week, the Giants

had the better of play throughout.

Every man pulled his weight. Johnny Nyskohus was deputised to cover Peter Katholos and he fulfilled his task to near perfection.

Neil Banfield was master in his domain, and he came forward to set up many productive movements.

And once again the evergreen Bobby Ferguson gave an object lesson in goalkeeping. He was cool under pressure, agile, positioned himself to perfection, and for punching the ball clear of danger he would have to be in world class.

Adelaide City's tactics revolved around giving blanket cover in defence, but they moved out into midfield and set up their strikers so well that none of their work could be said to be negative in any way.

Play was very ordinary at the start but after 10 minutes the players were in their stride for an interesting further 80 minutes.

Charlie Villani collected the first of his two goals in the 19th minute. Chris Manou hit the crossbar from a Gary Marocchi corner and Villani finished off the move with a good shot.

Graham Jennings, who had a mixed afternoon, turned on a ball for Mark Koussas in the 28th minute. The youngster dodged Neville Flounders to score from eight metres out.

It was the keen Villani again in the 44th minute. Banfield ran through the centre and passed right to Manou.

John Nyskohus gained possession only to see his shot stopped by Gary Meier, but then Villani was close in again to score.

The goal did not take the wind out of Olympic's sails as Tommy Gavin and Ian Rowden both went close after the resumption.

They were very lucky indeed however in the 64th minute when Peter Rankin narrowly missed scoring when Olympic defender Ken Wilson slipped up when he was the only man in Rankin's way apart from goalkeeper Meier.

At this stage the Olympic attacks were mainly mopped up by an Adelaide defence that was superior in the air.

And, if the defence was ever in trouble then Ferguson certainly was not.

It was left to Manou to beat Mike Coady in the right-back position with three minutes remaining and give Meier no chance to pounce on a low shot, for a final 3-1 scoreline.

Leslie Carter, 21, and another former England youth player, is set to arrive this week to join the Giants.

It will be a big boost for them as they prepare for the Marconi clash on Sunday.

OLYMPIC: Meier, Coady, Akoutas (Phillips 58), Rogers, Gavin, Wilson, Rowden, Raskopoulos, Koussas, Katholos, Jennings.

ADELAIDE CITY: Ferguson, Russell, B. Nyskohus, Banfield, Flounders, Melta, Manou, Rankin, Marocchi, J. Nyskohus, Villani.

REFEREE: T. Davies. CROWD: 4,457.



Charlie Villani shoots as Sydney Olympic's Peter Raskopoulos closes in

PRESTON WERE TOO LATE

By Jock Stephen

Some of the Craig Johnston professionalism has rubbed off on Newcastle KB even though he was absent from the game at Connor Reserve, Preston.

Looking nipper than Preston, they swung the ball about more and generally made sure that they had sufficient players in attacking positions to get value from these tactics to win 2-1.

Preston moved forward only twice when Ollerton and Lucchesi broke through without success. I thought Lucchesi was pushed off the ball unfairly, but referee Yelland took no action.

New man Jim Hamilton had a go at goal after 17 minutes, scraping the bar, but scored superbly four minutes later with a swinging right footer to put the Hunter Valley men ahead.

Preston tried very strongly to get into shooting positions with Brown just failing to beat Dando on at least two occasions. Preston were caught in possession too often, and this was to be the pattern until the 39th minute, when Petrovski handled the ball deliberately,

for which he received a yellow card.

The resultant penalty by Roy Drinkwater gave a reasonable scoreline of 2-0 for the visitors.

Lowe provided lots of action up front, but attained no personal glory for himself.

Ollerton called on Miranda to take his place at half time, and five minutes later Newcastle exchanged Jones for the tall New Zealander Alf Stamp. Whatever the team benefits were, both sides provided more cohesive football and it was here that Preston seemed to gain most from their attack towards the southern goal.

Ward could have been unlucky with a hot shot which Dando was fortunate to handle in time. Newcastle obtained a succession of corner-kicks, from which I felt that Preston were marshalling their resources for all out attack. Preston's Jones gave us a thrilling moment at the 70th minute with a shot which just cleared the bar.

The last 20 minutes were full of incidents with Newcastle fading a little, but they hung on.

The damage had been done, and the invasions during the dying minutes from Brown, Lucchesi and Ward finally paid off when a Lucchesi cross saw Ward neatly side foot the ball past Dando to be some consolation for the second half resurgence.

All credit to Newcastle, who I felt had more winners in midfield in Tredinnick-Drinkwater-Robertson and Hamilton.

Ward, Todorovski and Flavell with Petrovski were best for Preston, but it was sloppy teamwork which brought defeat.

PRESTON: Potter, Fox, Flavell, Jones, Todorovski, Petrovski, Ollerton (Miranda 45), Brown, Lucchesi, Ward, Whittle.

NEWCASTLE: Dando, Curran, Drinkwater, Sneddon, Tredinnick, Mason, Robertson, Hamilton, Jones (Stamp 50) Lowe, McLelland.

REFEREE: D. Yelland. CROWD: 2,300.



HOWARD TREDINNICK

AUSTRALIAN CHIT-CHAT



Vojvodina Captain Josip Illic and Olympic's Andy Scott lead their teams out

Jimmy Wright, West Adelaide's ball-playing Scottish winger who has been out for most of the season after a leg operation, is back in training.

Expected to be out for the full season, it now appears as if he will make it back in time for the run home "when we play in the Top Four Cup," says coach Alan Vest.

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A certain West Adelaide player can thank Wollongong City captain Chris Dunleavy for keeping him out of trouble during the recent game in Wollongong.

The player involved was angry at the way the Wolves scored their second goal and blamed a linesman for a decision he made at the other end of the field.

Referee Tim Davies had a chat with the player immediately after the interval but he wanted to make his point again as he walked from the ground.

Fortunately for him, Dunleavy grabbed him and walked him towards the dressing-room just in time.

ASPA NEWS

On Friday night at Attilio's Restaurant in Elizabeth Street Sydney, Brian Le Fevre and his wife will be the honoured guests of the members of the Australian Soccer Press Association — NSW Branch. Members and wives or friends will pay tribute to Brian for his 13 years service as Australian Soccer Federation secretary and latter executive director.

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ASPA president Ted Simmons hopes to be able to get a top Soccer player or personality to present awards at the ASPA National Awards night on September 7. In future years, Simmons said he would love to see the European Player of the Year presenting the award for the Australian Player of the Year.

A surprise player for Leichhardt in their recent exhibition match against Penrith United was a famous ex-Celtic star striker and Scottish international.

One Willie Wallace. Looking trim and fit, Willie lined up in central midfield alongside all the Leichhardt PSL stars. "I always take part in matches at training," said the Strikers coach, who knocked some very good balls to his teammates.

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Leader of the South Melbourne Barbaresso Cup for the Player of the Year is their midget striker, Charlie Egan. He is four points ahead of his nearest rival George Campbell.

This is how they stand: 19 votes - Egan; 15 Campbell; 12 Evans; 11 Davidson; 10 Shirra and Stevenson; 7 Xanthopoulos; 4 Nikolaidis.

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Sydney Olympic full-back and captain Andy Scott goes into hospital for a knee operation this week.

★ ★ ★

Tony Dorigo, Adelaide City youth player now with Aston Villa in England as an apprentice, is home but can't play.

Here for a six-week holiday, City had hoped the forward or midfielder would be able to guest, but Villa refused him permission.



The photo on Page 1 was taken by ASW photographer Gino De La Scerri in Spain.



CHARLIE EGAN

READERS' FORUM

In this spot every week, we shall publish extracts from readers' letters — good or bad! If you want your opinions aired, please keep letters and postcards short and to the point. Write to The Editor, AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY, 261 Broadway, NSW 2007.

The recent PSL Youth League system is a disgrace. Each week the youth teams are infested with first-graders and the youngsters don't even get a run. Take for instance Sydney Olympians, a team which supposedly promotes its youth. Week after week first graders drop and players like Laki Konistis and Harry Vdovkakis are forced out. Other youngsters like Alex Koussas sometimes don't even have the privilege of changing!

A few weeks back both Laki and Harry played against Sydney City.

Incredibly it was Laki's first full game of the season (it was the third round) and I watched his performance along with a thousand other Greek supporters.

We were impressed with the kid; he had a blinder and if it wasn't for him the score would have ended up at least 7-0. Harry played well too!

What I'm trying to say is that youngsters like Harry and Laki should be playing in the Youth League instead of "first grade rejects."

How about: 11.45 — Youth League U19s; 1.30 — Second Grade PSL; 3.00 — First Grade.

In this type of system, there could be perhaps at least one first-grader playing for the youth team, so as to unify the juniors and lead by example.

As for having a reserve grade, this will help a great deal of teams, such as St George, which have large first grade squads. In this way not only will reserve first graders be getting a game, but it will also prevent first graders from having to go into the youth line-ups to get a game each week!

I'm sure most PSL teams would prefer this type of system — and so would the crowds because they'd be getting more Soccer for their money.

Finally, since my heart is with the Olympians, whoever is responsible for filling the youth team with "old-men" please stop.

Give the youth a go as you did in your previous outing at the Athletic Field.

Helen Mariannis
Ashfield, NSW.

P.S. Good on you ASW on a well-organised Soccer newspaper — but how about a photo or something of Peter Katholos for us fanatical Olympic females!

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The recent decision by St George Budapest Soccer Club to pay KB United for an appearance by superstar, Craig Johnston, may have started a dangerous precedent.

I feel the ASF should investigate the ethics involved. St George, because of their action, were risking championship points for money in the bank.

Normally a very progressive club, St George may have gone very close to bringing the game into disrepute and certainly showed little consideration for their own players and supporters — the people who really matter.

B.C.
Carlton, NSW.

We wish to thank you and Presto for the lovely ham received for letter of the week. It really is delicious, and such a generous size.

T.M. & M. Jones,
Lilydale, Vic.

I am a cadet at The Queensland Police Academy, and I would like to do a feature on Constable Jim Hermiston for the Academy's annual magazine. I would be really grateful if you could supply me with some information.

G. Smart,
Queensland Police Academy.

(Thanks for your interest Cadet Smart. John Economos will interview Jim in an issue of ASW in the near future. Good luck with your magazine and keep reading ASW! - Ed.)



PRESTO HAMS FOR ASW READERS

AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY receives many letters from readers — indicating the enormous interest being shown in Australia's favourite Soccer newspaper.

We enjoy getting your letters, so keep sending them in.

Each Tuesday, we feature the best of those letters in this READERS' FORUM section.

The top letter every week qualifies its writer for a great leg of PRESTO ham, which will be delivered.

If, in any particular week, there is no outstanding PRESTO LETTER OF THE WEEK, the Editor reserves the right to withhold the prize.

It is essential for letters to ASW to be kept brief and to the point. We just do not have time to wade through page after page from readers: neither do we have the space to publish such wordy contributions.

Here is the PRESTO LETTER OF THE WEEK for this week:—

As a follower of Blacktown City, recently politically relegated from the Philips League to the New South Wales State League, I wish to comment on the mooted regionalisation of the PSL competition.

The differences between the two leagues are so vast that any move to revert the PSL to a State competition would set Australian Soccer back more than twenty years.

Soccer's only hope in this country is to have a nationwide competition such as the PSL.

It is essential that youngsters from Newcastle, Wollongong, Adelaide, Brisbane and Canberra have teams to follow and thereby somewhere to aim their sporting ambitions.

If a local league in, say, Canberra were the heights the boys of that city could aspire to, it would not be long before they turned to the more popular sports such as Rugby League and Australian Rules.

After following Blacktown in the PSL and visiting all the Sydney grounds, the disorganised State League, where spectator facilities are spartan, comes as a shock to say the least.

The few clubs that do produce a programme have a single sheet listing the players names without numbers. Some grounds read out the numbers before kick-off over a crackling loud-speaker you have to be standing underneath to be able to hear with any clarity.

The exception is Manly, whose match programme is the equal of many I have seen in the PSL.

Before the start of the season, I tried to obtain a fixture list of the forthcoming State League matches. I finally obtained a photocopied typewritten sheet from the ASF at Parklea after having to send them a stamped self-addressed envelope.

Last Sunday I watched Blacktown in their normal red and black colours play Rockdale, who also played in red and black. Both teams had black shorts.

It was difficult enough differentiating between the two sides at the start. By the second half in the gathering gloom it was close to impossible when the ball was at the far end of the pitch.

Enough has been written regarding the Ampol Cup semi-final fiasco for me to have to comment further on the complete lack of organisation for that event. But I, along with many other State League club followers, eagerly awaited the Philips Cup draw to see which PSL we would be drawn against. We were all very disappointed to find the competition this year was confined to PSL teams only. This is not a good way to promote the code nor does it help the struggling State League sides.

The PSL must continue.

Both domestic airlines are reducing fares in a cut-throat price war, so now is the time for PSL clubs to negotiate a long-term cut-rate contract for interstate travel.

The PSL has done much to promote the game by reducing the ethnic image of Soccer in Australia. This good work must not be allowed to peter away into a so-called super State League, for this will bring down the level of Soccer.

A final comment on the Australian national side. More international matches must be arranged, not with holidaying club sides, but full internationals with our close neighbours.

Australia has not had a match since the World Cup qualifying rounds, and I suggest a four-nation cup be played for each year between, say, New Zealand, Singapore, Indonesia and ourselves, along the lines of the UK home international series.

This will give the fans and players a taste of international football in the years between World Cups.

Money is obviously the deciding factor of any successful professional sport, but in a country such as this where six year-old children get a foot-high trophy for playing in a team that finished one off the bottom of their league, something must be radically wrong with the code's administration.

Michael Kaufman,
Wentworthville, NSW.

PSL NEWS ROUND-UP • PSL NEWS ROUND-

**FUTURE BRIGHTENS
FOR WARRIORS**

By Keith Gilmour

The move from Olympic Park to Heidelberg Village is proving to be a tonic to Heidelberg Warriors.

Some \$200,000 will be spent on the compact and well-terraced ground of which \$70,000 has already been spent.

"We have saved about \$80,000 on the work that has been done by using our own labour instead of outside contractors," said secretary Paul Shomos.

Much of the \$200,000 has been lent by Heidelberg Council.

The current work will include the covering of the terraced area.

"Whereas at Olympic Park the rental was crippling, we now have excellent

revenue beginning to come in on the sale of advertising boards around the ground," said Mr Shomos.

"We have a bigger than ever migrant population from which to draw our following.

"Nearby Northcote has a 39 per cent Greek population, and there many other people who are Soccer-orientated as well.

"The other day we signed our very first Anglo-Saxon club member and in amongst our juniors are Italian boys.

"Robert Krajacic, the captain of our second team, is of Croat background.

"We would have been a certainty to play for Victoria in the National Youth Championships in Canberra but for injury."

The club's team rebuilding programme has brought in at least two fine prospects.

Chris Bekiaris, a one-time South Melbourne junior, is showing up well on the right wing.

There is also Mike Valentine, signed from Box Hill.

Mike is a midfielder or front-runner with the advantage of being strong with either foot.

LIONS AFTER GUEST FOR 1983

By Greg Russell

Brisbane Lions have begun negotiations for another guest player for next season following the five-week stint of Arsenal striker Alan Sunderland, which concluded against Heidelberg on Sunday.

Lions officials are tight-lipped over who they are chasing this time but it is believed they have had negotiations with a former team-mate of Sunderland's.

But one official revealed this week the club was looking at several players now involved in the World Cup and had several contacts in England who could be instructed to make an initial approach within the next few weeks.

"With no World Cup next year we are confident of getting a top-line star to guest for us next season," an official said.

"We want to get in early before anyone else does."

Lions only clinched Alan Sunderland for this season very late in their negotiations for a guest player. Following the success of Bob Latchford last year, Lions had been working on another guest player for some time and at first secured Swansea and former Arsenal and Liverpool midfielder, Ray Kennedy.

But Kennedy insisted he could only come to Australia for three weeks, which Lions considered was not long enough for him to have a lasting effect on the team or be promoted properly.

Frantic renegotiations were made and Sunderland was signed for his five-week, six match appearance.

Lions maintain Sunderland has been a successful acquisition, although the results and crowds have not really reflected it. They had a 4,000-plus crowd for the local derby two weeks ago, but some sceptics said that attendance was not much bigger than a normal derby crowd.

Many have been quick, but wrong, to compare Sunderland to Latchford. But they have failed to realise they are completely different types of players. Latchford was ideal for Lions style of knocking long balls into the box from flanks, while Sunderland is the type of player who likes the ball played at his feet.

When this has happened he has been electric and even "skinned" the talented Jim Hermiston on one occasion during the derby. But the inability of the Lions midfield to get the ball to Sunderland has probably meant they have not utilised the star to his full potential.

But Lions have by no means missed out on the deal and have obtained plenty of publicity from the guest star, while his junior coaching clinics were outstanding successes.

There has been talk that Sunderland was so impressed with Queensland and the Lions set-up that he had not ruled out the possibility of returning for a longer stay, perhaps even permanently, within a few years.

CAN WANDERER CRAIG WALLACE SAVE CITY?

By Greg Russell

Only those with good memories will recall former Brisbane City Philips League player Craig Wallace — but he could be the player to lead the Gladiators away from relegation trouble.

The much-travelled striker played only a handful of PSL matches, scoring three goals during two stints with Brisbane City and was also on the books of Newcastle United and Blacktown City for short periods.

But last week he arrived in Brisbane from Hong Kong, where he had been playing, and Brisbane City officials were quick to seek an extension to the Queensland Soccer Federation's June 30 transfer deadline to begin negotiations to sign Wallace.

Although no-one at Brisbane City will say it openly, it is obvious many officials are hoping Wallace will be the answer to their goalscoring problems which have resulted in the club slipping to the bottom of the PSL ladder and odds-on favorites for relegation this season.

"He can't be any worse than some of the other signings we have made this year," one City director said, obviously referring to the failure of strikers Joe Cairney and Peter Carey to hold down a regular PSL team place.

Wallace came to Brisbane City in 1977 from Victorian club Essendon. In 1978 he went on loan to former Queensland State League club St George Souths, now defunct, but returned to City League club St George Souths, now defunct, but returned to City later in the season. In 1979 he was sold to Brisbane Lions for a modest \$1,750 and was transfer-listed the following year by that club. QSF records show Wallace was then deregistered when he was not retained by Lions and returned to England.

He came back to Brisbane in 1980 and was again signed by City, but soon after was given a



CRAIG WALLACE

free transfer to Newcastle. He didn't stay there long and returned to Queensland for a very short stint with Brisbane first division club Sunnyside, before heading off to try his luck in America.

Wallace again surfaced in Australia in 1981 and signed with Blacktown but midway through the year bought his own contract and went to Hong Kong.

With that travelling record behind him, it is difficult to see how city are hoping Wallace, now 27, will be a regular PSL goalscorer. But at this stage of the season they have to try anything and at worst Wallace will have the experience of his travels and in fact could well have

developed the skills he only flashed in his past seasons in Brisbane.

Brisbane City play West Adelaide at Spencer Park this weekend and even if Wallace's transfer goes through it would seem a little premature to expect him to be in the PSL side.

City seem likely to persevere with young striker Steve Glockner, hard-worker Bevan Bohan, the skilful Willie Conner and perhaps even Cairney, who began to gain a little respect from the City fans when he netted twice for the club's State League team in its 3-4 loss to Valley Trident in the curtain-raiser to the last home game against South Melbourne.



FOOTSCRAY'S DENNIS BOLAND MAKES A FLYING SAVE AGAINST NEWCASTLE

**BOLAND REMAINS
AT FOOTSCRAY**

By Fred Villiers

Although he's sitting on the bench at the moment, top Victorian goalkeeper Denis Boland is not for sale.

This was made clear by Footscray secretary, Mitch Karafili.

"There's no way on earth that Boland will be cleared," he said.

"We need him. He's not very happy because he was dropped, but he's still the best keeper in Victoria.

"He'll have to fight his

way back into the team."

Karafili said the new Footscray administration hadn't settled down and the club still had problems.

"We're not in the top four and I would like to know why. But one thing is for sure, we won't be relegated. We're too good to go down," he said.

WALDRON ALMOST MADE WEMBLEY

By Phil Murphy

Wollongong City's new signing Alan Waldron twice went within just one goal of playing at Wembley.

Waldron is with the Wolves after a year with Po Chia Pills in Hong Kong, but played 250 games with Bolton Wanderers.

The 28-year-old midfielder also had spells with Blackpool and Bury before getting the travelling bug.

While at Bolton, he

played in two League Cup semi-finals — one against Everton, the other against Newcastle.

Against Everton, Bolton drew the away leg of their semi-final but then lost 1-0 in the home leg.

Against Newcastle it was necessary to stage a play-off at Elland Road after the teams played two draws.

Once again Bolton were to miss out, losing 2-1 and Waldron's dream of playing at Wembley had again been shattered.

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GROUP A

TABLE

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
1. POLAND.....	2	1	1	0	3-0	3	3
2. USSR.....	2	1	1	0	1-0	3	3
3. BELGIUM.....	2	0	0	2	0-4	0	0

RESULTS:

POLAND - BELGIUM.....	3-0
USSR - BELGIUM.....	1-0
POLAND - USSR.....	0-0

THE SCORERS: Boniek 3 (P), Oganessian 1 (R).
ADVANCED: POLAND

GROUP B

TABLE

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
1. W. GERMANY.....	2	1	1	0	2-1	3	3
2. ENGLAND.....	1	0	1	0	0-0	1	1
3. SPAIN.....	1	0	0	1	1-2	0	0

RESULTS:

W. GERMANY - ENGLAND.....	0-0
W. GERMANY - SPAIN.....	2-1

PROGRAMME:

This morning: SPAIN - ENGLAND

SCORERS: Littbarski 1, Fischer 1 (G), Zamora 1 (S).

GROUP C

TABLE

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
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1. BRAZIL.....	1	1	0	0	3-1	2	2
2. ITALY.....	1	1	0	0	2-1	2	2
3. ARGENTINA.....	2	0	0	2	2-5	0	0

RESULTS:

ITALY - ARGENTINA.....	2-1
BRAZIL - ARGENTINA.....	3-1

PROGRAMME:

This morning: BRAZIL - ITALY

THE SCORERS: Tardelli 1, Cabrini 1 (It), Passarella 1, Diaz 1 (Arg), Zico 1, Serghinio 1, Junior 1 (B).

GROUP D

TABLE

TEAMS	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
1. FRANCE.....	2	2	0	0	5-2	4	4
2. N. IRELAND.....	2	0	1	1	3-6	1	1
3. AUSTRIA.....	2	0	1	1	2-3	1	1

ADVANCED: FRANCE

RESULTS:

FRANCE - AUSTRIA.....	1-0
N. IRELAND - AUSTRIA.....	2-2
FRANCE - N. IRELAND.....	4-1

SCORERS: Hamilton 2, Armstrong 1 (N. Ire), Pezzey 1, Hintermaler 1 (Au), Genghini 1, Giresse 2, Rocheteau 2 (F).

SEMI FINALS

In Barcelona on Thursday: POLAND against Brazil or Italy.
In Seville on Thursday: FRANCE against W. Germany or England.

POOR DEFINITION OF RULES BY FIFA

England's World Cup officials appealed unsuccessfully against the interpretation of the qualifying rule for the semi-finals on the weekend.

The general consensus was that if two — or even three — teams in one of Phase 2 groups finished with identical points and goal tallies, the country that performed better in the first phase would go through to the semis.

The FIFA regulation states: "If the teams involved have scored the same number of goals, the team having had a better classification in its group at the end of the matches of the first round will be qualified."

The confusion was created over the words "better classification", which was cleared up by FIFA's general secretary, Josef Blatter:

"Better classification means being first or second in the group matches of the first round."

The England squad — including man-

ager Ron Greenwood — had assumed England had a better classification than their Phase 2 rivals West Germany because they had compiled more first round points and also had a better goal difference.

But the definition from FIFA means that because England and Germany both finished first in their group in the first round, if they gained equal points and goals in Phase 2, the semi-final berth would be decided by drawing lots.

So England had to revise their thinking for this morning's game against Spain. Whereas they thought a 2-1 win would be sufficient to pip Germany, they had to aim for a two-goal winning margin.

It is hard to understand, though, how FIFA could rule that two equal sides could be separated by straws and not on the football field.

PHILIPS LEAGUE TABLE

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sydney City	13	4	4	44	21	30
St George	10	5	6	33	29	25
West Adelaide	9	6	6	37	24	24
Olympic	10	3	8	38	31	23
Heidelberg	9	5	7	32	30	23
Leichhardt	9	5	7	37	41	23
Wollongong	10	3	8	27	34	23
Preston	7	7	7	30	34	21
Marconi	9	2	10	33	29	20
South Melbourne	6	7	8	31	30	19
Lions	6	7	8	29	38	19
C'berra	5	9	7	29	34	19
Adelaide City	5	8	8	29	27	18
Footscray	4	10	7	29	35	18
Newcastle	6	5	10	29	38	17
Brisbane City	4	6	11	22	44	14

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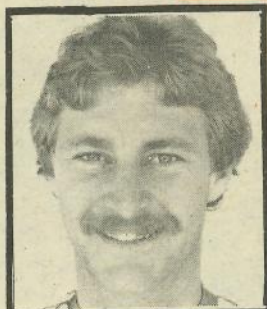
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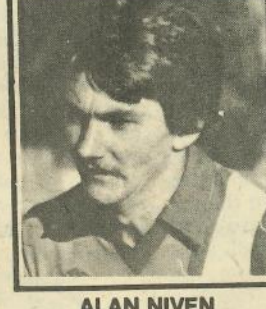
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ENGLAND, SAYS JOHAN CRUYFF

By John Economos

"England can upset any team in the tournament — including Brazil."

They are the words of Dutch Soccer legend, Johan Cruyff, who has put his money on England to reach the World Cup Final.

I was particularly pleased to hear this as I was the only writer from ASW to tip England to win. Now I don't feel so bad.

Cruyff flew from his summer home in Barcelona to pay a visit to the England training camp and said: "With the exception of Brazil, Yugoslavia, Russia and England, I don't think the standard has been very high."

Cruyff went on to say that he is most impressed with Ron Greenwood's men, their strength and character was excellent.

"At least they are showing the right attitude of being positive and going out to try to win their matches."

"Too many teams we



JOHAN CRUYFF

have seen have been too cautious, especially against the Third World

nations. Let's face it, it is easier to defend than to attack and you can only

attack if you have players with the flair and quality to do it.

"In my view there have been a lot of sides of inferior quality."

The magnificent Dutch star said he was delighted by England's performance in their opening match against France: "They looked very good. And I was very impressed with Graham Rix."

"There is a player who has a lovely touch on the ball and can deliver the unexpected pass with accuracy."

"You can only use those kind of passes if you have other players running free, and England has them."

That's certainly a strong recommendation for all to heed.

And I fully agree with the man who has won the European Footballer of the Year award three times.



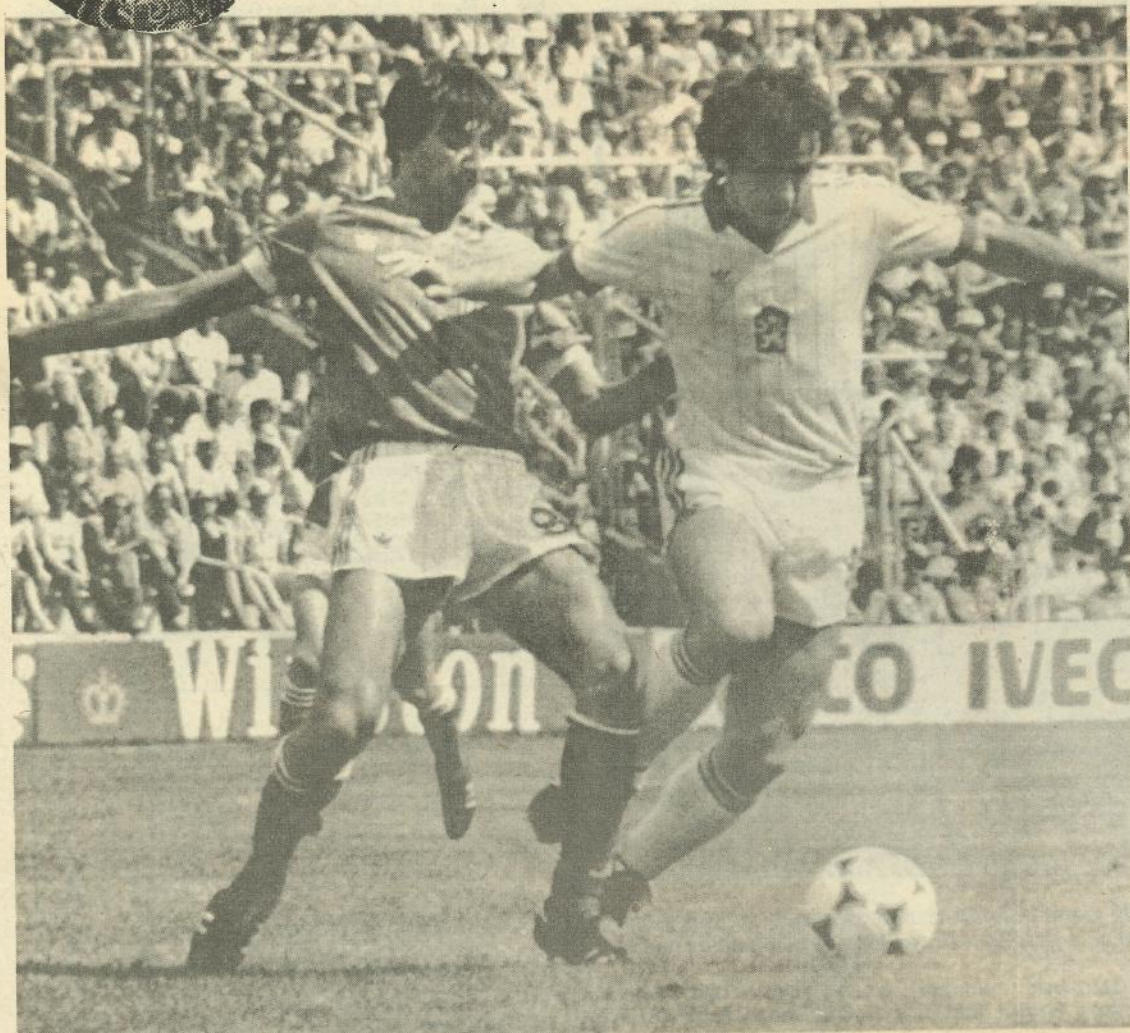
Luis Galvan of Argentina (left) tackles Italy's Orioli during the match which the champions lost 1-2.



Jubilation for Italy's Tardelli after his side had beaten Argentina 2-1.



**WORLD
CUP
ACTION**



Bernard Genghini, the French midfielder (left), tries to catch Czechoslovakia's Vizek.



Paul Breitner, West Germany's key midfielder, collides with Bryan Robson during the 0-0 draw with England.

KEITH GILMOUR'S JUNIOR SCENE

PHILIPS YOUTH LEAGUE

By Peter Russell

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Goal
1. ST GEORGE	17	11	4	2	38	15	26	+23
2. SYDNEY CITY	17	9	4	4	32	14	22	+18
3. LEICHHARDT	17	9	3	5	24	19	21	+5
4. NEWCASTLE	17	10	0	7	33	24	20	+9
5. AIS	17	7	5	5	27	21	19	+6
6. OLYMPIANS	18	7	3	8	25	27	17	-2
7. MARCONI	18	6	2	10	17	22	14	-5
8. WOLLONGONG	18	5	1	12	22	47	11	-25
9. CANBERRA	17	2	2	13	16	46	6	-30

RESULTS — ROUNDS 21:

HOME	AWAY	Score
WOLLONGONG	AIS	1-3
Baker	Junna, Salyo, Brown	
SYDNEY CITY	LEICHHARDT	3-0
CANBERRA	ST GEORGE	0-2
OLYMPIANS	Duarte, Koczka	(HT 0-0)
Townson	MARCONI	1-0
		(HT 1-0)

LEADING GOALSCORERS:

9 — Townson (Olympians)
7 — Reis (Canberra), Colagui, Duarte (St George), Drysdale (Newcastle)
6 — De Ceglie (Leichhardt), Fletcher (Sydney City), Koczka (St George)

The Saints go marching on, while in a sensation at the Sydney Athletic Field, the match of the round is renamed "the game that never was" when last year's premiers and title contenders Leichhardt failed to appear for their scheduled match against the Sydney Slickers. Sydney City were awarded the match 3-0 on forfeit.

At the Wollongong Showground, the Australian Institute boys continued their good form with a convincing win over Wollongong. Striker Rod Brown opened the scoring in the 13th minute when he latched on to a bad pass-back from Warren Baker. Six minutes later Marcello Salvo made it 2-0 when he capitalised on a defensive mix-up in the Wollongong penalty area to score. Almost immediately after the break Ray Junna made it 3-0 for the AIS side, netting before Wollongong had composed and organised themselves after the restart.

This appeared to wake up the Steel City boys, for they then came back into the game and made a match of it. They were subsequently rewarded with a goal in the 60th minute, scored from the penalty spot by Warren Baker. Best for AIS: Luciano Fabrizio, who was outstanding and the man of the match. He was well supported by Anthony Welbourn and Michael McLoughlin and Rod Brown who was always dangerous at the front. Best for Wollongong: Phillip Mulbauer.

At Pratten Park, Olympians returned to the winner's circle with a narrow 1-0 victory over the Marconi Leopard Cubs. For the first 25 minutes of the game, the Olympians were in complete control of things and through the sheer weight of constant pressure on the Marconi goal, they scored through Chris Townson who also missed a few chances. However for the final 20 minutes of the first half, the Marconi midfield took control of things but without creating any danger in front of goal, and the score remained 1-0 at half-time.

The second half was a fairly even affair, with a slight edge on territorial advantage going to the Fairfielders, again without creating any danger to the Olympians in the goal-area. Best for Olympians: Chris Townson, Albert Nocera, Tony Dakos and Mike Kelly. Best for Marconi: Tony Veneri.

At Marconi Oval, two neutrals fought out for the spoils — leaders St George and the wooden-spooners Canberra. In a scoreless first half, neither side completely dominated the other. However the second half was a different story, no doubt after Saints coach Richard Alagich had given them a charge at half-time. The Saints completely dominated matters in the second session and opened the scoring in the 60th minute when Andrew Koczka finished off a nice one-two move with Ricky Baumgartner. Two minutes later Koczka was again involved when he passed to an unmarked Nicky Papas, whose shot was saved but not held by keeper Michael Hocking and Dennis Duarte was on hand to pick up the loose ball and dribble round three players and put the ball into the net. Best for St George: Andrew Koczka, Mark Hannon and Nicky Papas. For Canberra young keeper Michael Hocking was outstanding.

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES — Round 22:

Sat, July 10 (12.15pm):
NEWCASTLE V SYDNEY CITY - Int. Spts Ctr
Sun, July 11 (12.45pm):
CANBERRA V LEICHHARDT - Bruce Stadium
WOLLONGONG V OLYMPIANS - Lambert Park
ST GEORGE V AIS - St George Stadium

NSW METRO CHAMPIONSHIPS

Round 7

	U10	U11	U12
Canterbury v Blacktown	3-3	1-0	7-0
Illawarra v Ku-ring-gai		1-1	4-0
Manly v Gladesville		1-0	2-0
Nepean v Sutherland		2-2	1-0
S/Eastern v Bankstown	1-1	2-3	0-3
Granville v South. Dists	3-1	2-1	
St George, bye			

ROUND 8 — July 11:
Sutherland v Manly
St George v Nepean
Granville v Canterbury
Gladesville v Illawarra
Ku-ring-gai v S/Eastern
Bankstown v S/Districts
Blacktown — bye

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Jellicoe
E. Smith

AN ASW SERIES ON MINI-SOCCER MINI-SOCCER FOR BUDDING YOUNG SOCCEROOS

Never before have Australian youngsters had the opportunities to put skill into their Soccer as they have today.

The McDonald's Soccer Super Skills Awards are being widely accepted and are proving a boon for keen youth players.

Mini-Soccer was first introduced in 1976 on an experimental basis. It has boomed, and, as we reported last week, the chances are that it will be compulsory in NSW next season.

It may be that a limited number of dispensations will have to be given to smaller associations in 1983, but in any case the die has been cast.

The KDSA introduced six-a-side mini-Soccer in the 1976 season for the under 7 age-group and extended it to the under 8 age-group in the 1977 season.

At the time the move to mini-Soccer was regarded by many with scepticism.

Young players were still regarded as mini-adults and their Soccer was of necessity based on the adult game.

KDSA led the way in recognising the needs of young players to play Soccer on a suitably-sized pitch, with active participation and enjoyment.

Many other districts and areas are now following the lead. The concept

is backed by top coaching authorities worldwide.

In the following year nine-a-side junior Soccer was introduced for the under 9 age-group because of the success of six-a-side mini-Soccer with the under 7 and 8 age-groups.

In 1980 both the under 9 and 10 age-groups played nine-a-side Soccer. Nine-a-side junior Soccer provides an ideal intermediate stage between mini-Soccer and the full eleven-a-side game.

The important advantages of six-a-side mini-Soccer are:

1. The pitch and goal size are scaled to suit the physical abilities of the

young players.

2. The smaller pitch ensures that the young players are always in touch with the game.

3. With the reduction in the number of players there is more participation and more kicks of the ball for each player. This after all is why youngsters play Soccer.

4. With the elimination of competition points and tables, each game becomes a competition in itself for the young player. The youngsters compete in one match at a time. They are not subjected to the pressure of the outcome of a season's competition table every time they play.

5. Without the pressure

One of the best-ever investigations produced in Australian Soccer has become available to AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY.

We therefore intend to run a series in succeeding weeks on the subject, as we believe all those who have the best interests of the kiddies and the sport of Soccer at heart will wish to follow the plans that have been laid out and already proved on the field of play.

The first two articles are from John Glasby of the Ku-ring-gai Soccer Coaches Association.

of continued winning, the young player is able to develop co-ordination and basic skills and to enjoy the game of Soccer at the same time.

SERDERON THE PLASTIC MAN PRIZE



Junior clubs, schools and associations supplying stories and/or pictures to AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY up to the issue of August 31, 1982 qualify for consideration for this year's prizes. They are: first \$250, 2nd \$150, 3rd \$100 and fourth \$50. The decision of the editorial staff is final. Keep your news and photos coming in to ASW, Box 406, Broadway 2007.

NSW U16 ROUND-ROBIN AT FRANCIS PARK

The NSW Under 16 round-robin series which precedes selection of the State team for the national titles is being played this year at Francis Park, Blacktown.

Competing are teams drawn from the NSW State League, NSW First & Second Divisions, NSW Combined High Schools and the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation.

The full draw is:
July 5: 6.30 pm, CHS v Amateurs; 8 pm State League v 2nd Div; 1st Div bye.

July 14: 6.30 pm, CHS v State League; 8 pm, 1st Div v NSW Amateurs; 2nd Div bye.

July 21: 6.30 pm, CHS v 2nd Div; 8 pm,

State League v 1st Div; Amateurs bye.
July 28: 6.30 pm, Amateurs v Second Div; 8 pm CHS v 1st Div; State League bye.

August 4: 6.30 pm, Amateurs v State League; 8 pm, 2nd Div v 1st Div; CHS bye.

Vic Rentovetsky is this year's State coach.

— Keith Gilmour



Here are the St Josephs U7/3 team, from the Nepean Association. This young team has the unusual record of nine scoreless draws from 13 competition games to date.

BACK ROW (L to R): Adam Ostrowski (manager), Adam Hackett, Paul Corkill, Brian Ostrowski (captain), Matthew Wright, Matthew Walsh, Daniel Seget, Brad Earl (coach).

FRONT ROW: Wayne Mackenzie, Trevor Ellwood, Timothy Savill, Andrew Aitken, Adam Farrell, Garry Roy.

NSW YOUTH LEAGUE

GROUP 1

	U13	U14	U15	U16
Marrickville v Polonia	1-2	0-6	2-1	0-3
Sydney Olympic v Leichhardt	2-3	1-0	3-1	0-1
Gladesville v Central Coast	1-3	2-2	0-4	2-4
Ku-ring-gai v Melita	5-0	2-0	4-0	0-0
Riverwood v Bankstown	1-1	0-2	1-1	0-0
Blacktown Assn v Sthm Dists	1-3	4-1	1-3	0-2
Baulkham Hills, bye				

U13: Leichhardt 35, Southern Dists 35, Bankstown 30, Gladesville 28, Baulkham Hills 26, Ku-ring-gai 24, Central Coast 21, Sydney Olympic 17, Riverwood 16, Blacktown Assn 12, Polonia 10, Marrickville 7, Melita 5.
U14: Polonia 36, Ku-ring-gai 34, Sydney Olympic 31, Blacktown Assn 26, Gladesville 25, Leichhardt 24, Bankstown 18, Central Coast 17, Melita 16, Riverwood 15, Baulkham Hills 15, Marrickville 10, Southern Dists 7.
U15: Sydney Olympic 36, Ku-ring-gai 34, Marrickville 27, Southern Dists 27, Central Coast 24, Leichhardt 23, Bankstown 22, Polonia 18, Gladesville 17, Baulkham Hills 16, Melita 14, Riverwood 10, Blacktown Assn 4.
U16: Leichhardt 32, Polonia 29, Sydney Olympic 28, Melita 26, Bankstown 25, Southern Dists 24, Marrickville 22, Riverwood 22, Ku-ring-gai 20, Central Coast 16, Gladesville 9, Blacktown Assn 7.

GROUP 2

	U13	U14	U15	U16
Illawarra v St George	2-2	1-8	0-1	1-0
Canterbury Assn Blacktown City	2-3	0-2	3-0	3-4
Sydney City v Croatia	0-0	2-1	1-2	2-3
Nepean v Manly	3-1	2-1	1-3	0-5
Granville v Marconi	4-1	2-1		1-2
Auburn v Sutherland		1-2	0-3	4-5
Croatia v Manly			1-1	
Avala, bye				

U13: Granville 35, Nepean 34, St George 27, Illawarra 27, Canterbury 25, Marconi 24, Sutherland 23, Manly 21, Sydney City 20, Blacktown City 17, Croatia 15, Avala 8.

U14: St George 35, Marconi 34, Granville 29, Auburn 28, Blacktown City 26, Canterbury 25, Sutherland 22, Illawarra 21, Sydney City 20, Nepean 13, Avala 11, Manly 10, Croatia 4.

U15: Marconi 40, St George 30, Manly 27, Canterbury 27, Sutherland 26, Blacktown City 24, Illawarra 23, Nepean 18, Avala 15, Sydney City 14, Croatia 14, Auburn 14.

U16: St George 35, Illawarra 34, Manly 32, Croatia 25, Blacktown City 24, Marconi 23, Nepean 23, Sutherland 23, Avala 23, Canterbury 14, Auburn 10, Sydney City, Granville 5.

ROUND 21 — JULY 10:

1. Leichhardt v M'ville Olympic - Lambert Park
Baulkham Hills v Sydney Olympic - Pratten Park
Blacktown Assn v Gladesville - L.H. Waud
Polonia v Ku-ring-gai - Chopin Park
Riverwood v Melita - Hurstville
Bankstown v Sth Districts - Ernie Smith
Central Coast - bye

2. Croatia v Canterbury Assn - Blick Oval
Sutherland v Sydney City - Bates Drive
Illawarra W'gong v Auburn - Balgownie
Blacktown City v Nepean - Gabbie Stadium
Manly v Marconi - Cromer
Granville v Avala - Garside
St George - bye

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BIG MAC PROMOTION?

By Fred Villiers

The best-kept secret in Soccer early this year was the sponsorship deal between the Australian Soccer Federation and the McDonald's hamburger company for a junior coaching scheme Australia-wide.

At the time it was described as "the most significant grass-roots coaching programme ever to be unveiled by any Australian sporting code."

The details of the sponsorship were released at a big press conference at a leading hotel in Sydney last March.

As far as Melbourne is concerned the coaching scheme is still a top secret.

So far I haven't met anyone in Victoria who has taken advantage of the scheme estimated to be worth \$750,000 over a

period of three years.

I understood at the time of the press release the deal was to build Soccer into a major winter sport in this country.

With more than 500,000 Australians under 18 now playing Soccer, the company's involvement was scarcely surprising at the time.

But the question is: What went wrong in Victoria?

Where have all the Big Macs and Quarter Pounders gone which were promised to those who passed the skills test?

U16 INTERNATIONALS

In Europe international football now extends down to under 16.

Italy won the first competition with a 1-0 win over West Germany 1-0 in Switzerland.

Groups of three and four teams from 27 national associations competed in the series.

Qualifiers for the quarter-finals were Scotland, Finland, West Germany, East Germany, USSR, Yugoslavia, France and Italy.

The final placings were: 1 Italy, 2 West Germany, 3 Yugoslavia, 4 Finland.

RECOGNITION FOR GOLD COAST

from Pam Gilbert in Brisbane

The Gold Coast gained full recognition as a zone of the Queensland Junior Soccer Council for this year's State Championships.

The Gold Coast is now Zone 9 and known as South East Queensland.

In the division of the previous South Queensland Zone, South West Queensland Zone 5 was left with the important centres of Toowoomba, Dalby, Stanthorpe and Laidley.

The venues for the State titles early this month are:

Northern U12 at Ingham, with zones 1, 2, 3 & 7 competing. The teams play for the Gino Paris Trophy, named after a legendary figure in the State's junior schoolboys' Soccer.

Southern U12 at Stanthorpe, with Zones 4, 5, 6, 8 & 9 competing for the Harry Dinning Trophy, with Mr Linning an

honoured guest.

U13 on the Gold Coast. Apart from the cost burden, restricted flight schedules made it virtually impossible to transport eight teams into Mt Isa.

North West decided not to compete this year, after the full cost of flying their team to the Gold Coast and return was to be met by the six zones that had previously been disadvantaged.

U13 matches were set down for the Runaway Bay Soccer Club grounds.

Selection for the national championships in Devonport will follow after the week long carnival.

The coach is Jim Gilbert and manager Barry Bainbridge.

U14 Junior Ampol Cup championship games were set down for the Townsville Junior Soccer Association complex.

Jim Dolan is the State coach, with Andy Boscacci as manager. The team goes to Para Hills, Adelaide for the national titles.

Lions Stadium, Richlands, hosts the U15 Mazda State Championships from July 3-10 for Brisbane South Zone.

The team will be able to link in with the Lions PSL game.

George Pagan, now of Wide Bay, is the coach and Ken Hesson, of Mt Isa, is the manager for the Queensland U15 team to compete later at Frankston, Victoria.

NSW U14s SELECTED

The NSW State Under 14 squad to travel to Adelaide in September for the Australian titles was named last week by coach Alan Edmondson.

The squad is:
Goalkeepers: Antoine Avellino (Blacktown City), Joseph Micallef (Marconi).
Defenders: Paul Quarmby, Ron Genovese (Blacktown City), Anthony Parison, Anthony George (Canterbury), Andrew Momson (St George), Raphael Mravunac.
Midfielders: Steven Chilas (Sydney Olympic), Jason Van Blerk (Leichhardt), Scott Ollerenshaw (St George), Murray Gale (captain - Ku-ring-gai).
Forwards: Darren Chambers (Orange), Rocky Gianetta (Sydney Olympic), David Kennedy (Ku-ring-gai), Paul Ainger (Illawarra).

Darren Chambers is the first country boy to be selected in a State squad for some years, with the last boy from the country to play for NSW being Rick Karaka from the Riverina District.

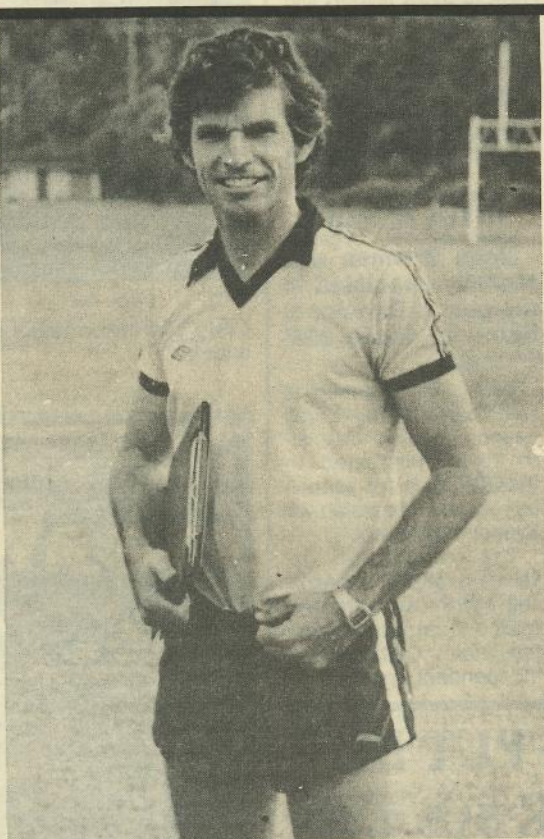
Darren is the leading goalscorer with his club De La Salle in Orange, and State coach Edmondson, who is reserve coach at leading State League club Riverwood, predicts a big future for him.

The incredible thing is that to attend training he has to travel 400 kms every week by plane.

Managers have been appointed for the NSW junior State teams.

The appointees are: U13 Rod Woods, U14 Ian Holmes, U15 George Churchward.

Any enquiries concerning the Under 14 team can be made to Ian Holmes, phone 50 9703, and for the Under 15 and 16 teams to George Churchward on 047-36 4105.



COACH ALAN EDMONDSON



Broken Hill boy Jason Williams received the full treatment when he visited Sydney recently to attend the Pacific Soccer Camp. Here he is with a posse of Soccer "heavies". At back is St George youth coach Richard Alagich and Saints manager Frank Arok. At front, leaning on young Jason, Socceroo midfielders Murray Barnes and Peter Raskopoulos.

GLADESVILLE REFEREES SHOOT WITH FUJI

By Ron Beaumont

Gladesville-Hornsby Soccer Referees Association has secured "Fuji Film" as sponsor for the 1982 and 1983 season.

The sponsorship will entail the provision of referees' shirts for the referees as well as equipment to assist with the development of refereeing standards.

Fuji Film is one of the major sponsors for the World Cup.

Additionally, Fuji Film has also been appointed official film/major sponsor for the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics.

According to Mr Andy Emmerson, manager of Fuji Film, the sponsorship of Gladesville-Hornsby referees will tie in with the current Fuji Film Espana 82 promotion with the Australian Soccer Federation.

The massive promotion involves the collection of ends with the special symbol of Espana 82 on Fuji "World Cup" film boxes.

For each end returned Fuji Film will pay 10 cents

to the Australian Soccer Federation for Australian Youth Soccer Development.

In this respect Australian Youth Soccer could receive up to \$50,000.

Soccer associations and clubs will participate in the collection and receive free Fuji film World Cup T-shirts, sun hats, sports bag and sports watches.

There was also a draw for participating clubs at the end of the promotion for two all-expense paid trips to Spain to take in the Espana 82 World Cup Finals.

Fuji Film sees the future of Australian Soccer in its Youth team, as witnessed by the tremendous public support and interest in the recent World Youth Championship.

Mr Emmerson continued by saying that Gladesville-Hornsby Soccer Referees

was selected for sponsorship as it is one of the senior and foundation branches of the New South Wales Division of the Affiliated Australian Soccer Referees Federation.

Mr Jim Smith, president of GHSRA, said that discussions with Fuji Film concerned equipment to assist with improvements of referees' standards.

With amateur associations such as GHSRA, where a great proportion of games are juniors, the Fuji Film brand reinforcement at grass-root level will impact the Espana 82 promotion.

GHSRA is justifiably proud to be associated with an international sponsor in Fuji Film, represented in Australia by Hanimex Corporation Limited — "the Australian company with the international reputation."



DARREN CHAMBERS



DAVID KENNEDY

MY FAVOURITE PLAYER

Who is your favourite Australian Philips League or State League Soccer player? You might have watched him, or seen him on TV.

If you are under 16, AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY wants you to write and tell us about him.

Marconi star Mark Jankovics of The Sports Centre stores at Carlingford Court, Bankstown Square and Paramatta Westfield will see that you win a sports bag of your choice (to the value of \$15) if you are the fortnightly prize-winner.

We will publish a selection of letters . . . so get them moving!

The competition is Australia wide. If you come from the country or interstate then your bag will be delivered.

Tell us what you like about your hero's play — maybe he plays in the position you like best.

Could it be Murray Barnes, Phil O'Connor, Col Bennett, George Christopoulos, Dez Marton, Arthur Xanthopoulos, Martyn Crook, or Marshall Soper?

Write in not more than six sentences to AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY, PO Box 406, Broadway NSW 2007.

Our first winner is Rita Sgro, of Beverley Hills. Here is Rita's letter:

My favourite player has always been Marconi's famous centre-forward Mark Jankovics. Not only is he a clean and fair player but he never gives up and tries his hardest till the final whistle, no matter what the score against the team. It's this determination that gives Mark striking appeal. An asset to his team as he never hogs the ball and always seems to be in the right position when scoring is important. Marconi's recent defeat over Leichhardt is a perfect example of his ability.

Rita Sgro,
(15 years)
Beverley Hills, NSW



MARK JANKOVICS, MARCONI'S STAR

My favourite player is Michael Quarmby, who plays in the State Soccer League, for Blacktown City Demons. I think Michael is an exceptionally good defender. I also like the way Michael runs the ball down the left wing and puts the ball into the centre for someone to put it away. Michael can play very well on the left side of the field. I think Blacktown City have an excellent chance of getting into the finals. I always get the AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY so I can read up on Blacktown and Michael if I can't get to their game.

Michelle Heaton,
(15 years)
Rossmore, NSW

My favourite player is Mark Jankovics of Marconi. Mark is my favourite player because he has exceptional skill and can get through any defence. When I go to watch him play I can learn all the different skills that the Philips Soccer League players use. I am very disappointed that Mark is out with leg injuries for the rest of the season and I hope to see him back next season strong and healthy. I always get the local papers and the AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY so I can follow the Marconi team and Mark. I hope to be a Soccer star like Mark in a few years.

Mark Heaton
Liverpool Rangers U10 Div 1
Rossmore, NSW

PS: I've been to the Australian Soccer camp at Englefield Stadium at Dural and Tony Henderson and Michael Quarmby coached me for a week in the May school holidays and I loved it and I'm going back next year.

SCHOOL SOCCER DISCRIMINATION

By Des Dugan — Avalon Soccer Club

Club officials from Avalon in the Manly-Warringah district are asking themselves whether the education system is purposefully holding back the development of Soccer in the schools.

On figures available it would appear this is the case.

In the major junior schools in the Avalon district — Newport, Bilgola Plateau and Avalon — winter sport is broken up into three rugby teams and two Soccer teams.

At the start of this season the Avalon Soccer Club supplied names, ages and grades to the schools in an effort to get more representation for the sport.

These names were taken from club registration forms which asked the children to state their school and their preference for playing the sport at school.

Of the 402 children registering to play with Avalon Soccer Club, no fewer than 300 said they would like to play the sport at school.

About 97 children said they would like to play at Avalon School. Broken up, there were enough for two under 9 teams, one under 10 and two under 11 teams.

Only two teams have been registered by the school to play Soccer on sports days.

A Bilgola Plateau a total of 91 children preferred to play Soccer — enough for two teams in under 9; two teams in under 10 and one team in under 11.

Newport was similar. However all three primary schools only field two Soccer teams.

At Barrenjoey High School, Avalon Soccer Club alone has furnished enough players for one

under 12, under 13, under 14, and one under 18 team.

Again the school has only put up two Soccer teams.

The question "WHY?" begs an answer.

Although varied between not enough coaches, interest and equipment, it mainly boils down to the lack of numbers of teachers available to take them on sports days.

However part of the problem lies with the Education Department which has refused to increase the manning levels at schools which would make more teachers available for sport.

One cannot help but wonder about the preferences of sports masters and their allegiance to other sports — in other words SOCCER DISCRIMINATION.

JOHN BRENNAN'S INVOLVEMENT

John Brennan was recently appointed to the post of Director of Sport for Radio 2SM Sydney.

Whilst Mr Brennan is well-known for his Rugby League contacts, he is also keenly interested in the 2SM Cup for school-boy soccer contested by Sydney high schools.

The competition involves a \$3,000 sponsorship, with 64 selected teams competing from the State, Catholic and Independent systems.

REDBACKS PUT BITE INTO THEIR SOCCER

The Carlingford Redbacks Soccer Club from Sydney's Gladesville-Hornsby FA, put plenty of bite into their football.

Players wearing their familiar red-and-black strips finished in the first four places of their competitions in no less than 22 divisions in 1981.

This year they have entered 35 teams in the local competitions.

Their under 21, 16, 13 and 11 teams won the right to represent the association in the Champion of Champions State-wide competitions.

Their classy under 16 team was Gladesville's representative in the NSW

Youth League and finished a creditable fourth.

A club spokesman said that the vast numbers of players enables the club to give special attention to the grading of players.

They can get their sport in a grade and division that is suited to their individual ability.

The Redbacks train at Roselea ground, just behind the Community Hall on Pennant Hills Rd Carlingford, and at the adjoining Carlingford High Schools grounds.



Stephen O'Brien plays right-back in one of the Carlingford Redback teams, and stood out recently in their game against Epping YMCA. His is 14, and already has been a keen player with the club for the past nine years.

NEW BREED ON THE COAST

Wollongong City's entry into the glamour of the Philips Soccer League brought the need for an instant team.

Players had to be found from outside the region to launch the club successfully in what always had been a great centre for Soccer.

In other years the Coast had produced some real stars.

Old-timers will recall Bobby Bignall, the national team captain, Bobby Young, Jack and Jim Cunningham, Ted Drain, Keith Learmonth and Charlie Stewart among others.

Can Wollongong do it again?

Players such as striker Glenn Fontana and goalkeeper Natch Vardareff found their mark.

In the background former Dapto coach Richard Evans has been working hard.

His Youth League side has produced modest results, but some players of class have emerged.

Phil Kerr, Zivko Hrstovski, Ray Vlietstra, Rob Davies and Jim Bell are forging ahead.

Coach Ken Morton feels that the commitment of Bell, an 18 year old from Picton, indicated that he has a real future.

Those youngsters working their way through the ranks have a great tradition to follow.

— Keith Gilmour



Craig Thompson takes on a St George full-back in a recent PSL Youth League match.



Robbie Davies from the Wolves Youth team in action against Jamie Dummet of the Illawarra-Wollongong Under 16 team in a friendly match played as a curtain-raiser to a recent Wollongong PSL game.



Wollongong's Jock Morlando on the ball, with team-mates Peter Willis (background) and Craig Thompson in support against the St George Youth team.

NEW SOUTH WALES
STATE LEAGUE

MANLY WARRINGAH — YUGAL	0-3
Benecke 2, Mihajlovic	
POLONIA — CANTERBURY	1-0
Galas	
RIVERWOOD — BANKSTOWN CITY	5-0
Parker 2, Walker 2, Jones	
SUTHERLAND — BLACKTOWN CITY	0-0
AVALA — ROCKDALE ILINDEN	2-2
Ruiz, Tilt (A); Morsello, Trajanovski (R)	
INTER MONARO — CROATIA	1-4
McLeod (IM); Coleman 2, Coyne 2 (C)	
AUBURN — MELITA EAGLES	2-0
Holloway, Dale	

TOP SCORERS

10 — Brian Parker, Barry Walker (Riv), Tony Bush (Suth)
9 — Graham Arnold (Cant), Terry Smith (Man), Terry Jones (Riv)
8 — Peter Jones (Black)
7 — Mark Holloway (Aub), Don Allan (Mel)
6 — Paul Kirwan (Black), Ray Farrugia (Mel)

Croatia	17	11	4	2	31	7	26
Blacktown	17	9	5	3	29	21	23
Manly	17	9	4	4	31	20	22
Riverwood	17	10	2	5	34	27	22
Canterbury	17	8	5	4	26	19	21
Sutherland	16	8	4	4	26	16	20
Melita	17	5	6	6	27	23	16
Yugal	16	6	4	6	24	28	16
Polonia	17	4	7	6	12	13	15
Auburn	17	5	4	8	15	23	14
Avala	17	3	7	7	28	30	13
Monaro	17	3	5	9	20	35	11
Rockdale	17	2	5	10	20	41	9
Bankstown	17	2	4	11	20	40	8

CROATIA ENDS
GOAL DROUGHT

Croatia ended a two-game goal drought with a 4-1 win against Inter Monaro at Marco Polo Oval.

Croatia deserved the win although they were helped by some hesitant play by an experienced Monaro side weakened by injuries. The home side suffered another blow when sweeper John Brown was injured in the first half and was replaced at the interval.

Croatia took the lead in the eighth minute when Monaro keeper Gino Caputo failed to hold a cross from Peter Hensman on the right and Kevin Coleman headed in.

Coleman added his second in the 35th minute when he shot home a pass from Rezo.

Two minutes later Monaro defender John Santolin misjudged a high ball and let in Croatia's John Coyne, who shot in from 10 metres.

In the 59th minute a rebound from Santolin was volleyed in the net by Coyne from 17 metres to make it 4-0.

In the final minutes Croatia were awarded a penalty but Caputo saved it, and in the counter-attack McLeod scored a consolation goal for Monaro.

Coleman, Hensman, Savor and Basic all played well for Croatia, while Monaro's best were Mark Francis and Peter Lawler.

MONARO: Caputo, Francis, McCreedy, Santolin, Brown (Colbertaldo 46), Trehwella, Lawler, McLeod, Sheridan, W.Valeri, M.Valeri.

CROATIA: Watson, Basic, Tomasic, Sterrey, Coleman, Vidaic, Rezo (Carrizo), Savor, Galic (Trenter), Coyne, Hensman.



Kevin Coleman

WALKER BACK
WITH A BANG

By Andy Jones

Riverwood surged back into the title race with a comprehensive 5-0 drubbing of Bankstown City at Hurstville Oval.

The young Bankstown side had no answer to Riverwood's experience, power and skill. The scourge of Bankstown was central striker, Barry Walker, returning to the side after a one-week suspension following his sending-off against Canterbury.

Walker had been dropped against Canterbury, but came into the game as a substitute.

The win ended Riverwood's run of one point in five games, which included conceding 10 goals in their last two outings.

Two goals each by Walker and Brian Parker and one by Terry Jones, means that the Riverwood trio have scored 29 goals between them in 17 games.

With the aid of a strong wind behind them, Riverwood took control of the game from the kick-off.

Long, high balls and fast running by the Riverwood strikers tore through the Bankstown defence.

Riverwood took the lead in the eighth minute when a pass by Walker sent Parker through on the left and Parker's shot was deflected past Bankstown keeper David Lohman.

Seven minutes later a move involving Jones, Parker, Walker and John Stoddart ended when Bankstown defender Ian Drain headed Stoddart's cross off Walker's head.

In the 20th minute Walker sent Andy Tracey

clear on the left and met a return cross with his head, but Lohman saved.

In the 32nd minute Walker ran forcefully past three defenders and crossed to Peter Butcher, but the big defender spooned his shot over the bar.

Four minutes later a clever flick by Walker put Parker through on the left, but Parker's shot was pushed round for a corner by Lohman.

In the 39th minute Walker, with five Bankstown defenders around him, headed a cross down to Vic Juchniwicz whose return pass Walker shot in on the turn from five metres.

Before Bankstown could recover Riverwood made it three.

Stoddart crossed the ball from the left to Parker at the far post and his header across goal was tapped in by Terry Jones.

At the interval Bankstown replaced Craig Wilmot with Garry Hatton.

Riverwood seemed to lose their concentration at the start of the second half and Bankstown came back into the game.

Bankstown had their best chance of the match in the 52nd minute when Riverwood keeper Ron Gisbourne missed a corner. Dolton's shot was blocked and the ball rebounded to Hatton, but he struck his shot wide from 20 metres.

Gradually Riverwood came back into the game and Walker, Juchniwicz and Stoddart all went close.

In the 74th minute Terry Jones rounded Lohman on a 30 metre solo run but his cross was cleared over the bar by the Bankstown defence.

A minute later Walker scored his second and Riverwood's fourth goal when he headed in a cross from Butcher at the far post.

The rout was completed four minutes from time when Stoddart crossed to Walker and, although Walker's shot was blocked, Parker was on hand to shoot home from five metres.

Riverwood coach Atti Abonyi said he hoped the win will put his team back on the winning trail.

"Our work-rate was higher, we were more aggressive and we had better finishing than in recent games," he said.

"I had dropped Barry Walker, but today he was outstanding."

"David Smith also won a lot of 50-50 balls for us and that made a big difference."

Bankstown coach Mike Johnson said it was the first time his side had been hammered this season.

"Our young side was exposed by Riverwood's experienced and skilful players," he said.

"But considering our

back-four and goalkeeper have an average age of 19 we did well.

"Our morale is still good, which was evident in the way in which we never gave up."

"I still believe we'll escape relegation and maybe next year we can build on the tremendous potential at the club."

RIVERWOOD: Gis-

bourne, Berry, Forrester, Smith, Butcher, Juchniwicz (Cootes 87), Parker, Tracey, Walker, Stoddart, T.Jones.

BANKSTOWN: Lohman, Drain, Brown, Rootsey, P.Jones, Wilmot (Hatton 45), Bourke, Dolton, Campanella (Blackburn 69), Nocera, Gilligan.

REFEREE: A.Morrison.

ALL THE CHANCES,
BUT TO NO AVALA

Avala had enough chances to beat lowly Rockdale by a hatful of goals at Knight Park but had to settle in the end for a 2-2 draw.

Despite having the best of the fast and entertaining first half, Avala found themselves a goal behind after 25 minutes when Morsello scored a disputed goal.

Bottalico took a free kick for Rockdale on the right found Morsello on the far post and his header was judged to have crossed the line by the referee before Neil Williams cleared.

On the stroke of half time Karanfilovski was brought down in the Rockdale box after a run and Eddie Ruiz converted the penalty to equalise for Avala.

But within two minutes of the restart Rockdale were back in front when a defensive mistake by Avala's Steve Deller let in Trajanovski who ran through and shot past Avala keeper Peter Ahrens.

Avala pressed forward for the equaliser and went close when first Djuricic and then Bruce Tilt hit the bar with shots before Tilt again pulled Avala level nine minutes from time.

Tilt had three more chances and Williams one to win the game for Avala before the final whistle but all were wasted.

Ahrens, Vujinovic and Karanfilovski played well for Avala, while Rockdale's best were Bottalico, O'Rourke and Morsello.

AVALA: Ahrens, Lembryk, Deller (Patterson 66), Barton, Vujinovic, Djuricic, Milne, Williams, Ruiz, Tilt, KAaranfilovski.

ROCKDALE: Davis, Martin, O'Rourke, Bottalico, Pilovski, Johnson, Smith, Tuntevski, Morsello, Trajanovski, Travini.

EASY AS PICKING BERRIES . . .

By Brad Earl

Polonia continued their improvement with a 1-0 win over Canterbury at Chopin Park, to follow up their 0-0 draw away to Croatia the previous week.

Polonia haven't earned many friends this season with their "negative and defensive" style, but all that was changed in an entertaining performance against Canterbury.

They scored in the 37th minute, and, instead of playing the ball around at the back to hold on to the lead, they continued to attack till the final whistle.

Maybe they had the "robots" tag which Canterbury coach Ron Corry gave them after the first round scoreless draw in mind!

Polonia had the ball in the net in the 26th minute, when midfielder Ziggy Garlowski sent in a perfectly-flighted free-kick from the right which Canterbury keeper Ali El Zein couldn't hold, and Polonia striker Henry Sobczyk pushed in.

However, the linesman's flag was up and referee Richard Lorenc ruled him offside from when the kick was taken, as the goalkeeper came off his line.

Four minutes later Ross Brown, the Berries skipper, found midfielder Lucky Georgiou running into the penalty area, and Georgiou should have done much better with his shot.

Polonia's goal in the 37th minute came from a corner by Sobczyk, who knocked the ball to the edge of the penalty area, and the big sweeper Tony Galas, who had edged forward, ran onto it and blasted a shot which took a deflection before hitting the back of the net.

Four minutes later, Canterbury centre-back Angelo Titilas thought he had equalised but he was clearly offside after a mistake by Galas six metres

from goal.

From a free-kick, Galas unleashed another power shot in the 43rd minute, which cannoned off the top corner of the post and the crossbar.

Just before half-time, Georgiou went off with a leg injury, and that allowed Craig Hall to make his comeback to first grade football.

For the second half, Hall joined Brown, Graham Arnold and Chris Tramnidis for a four-man strike-force — although none of them was effective. This move opened up gaps in the Canterbury midfield, but Corry said that was a risk he had to take for his side to look for goals.

In fact Polonia broke away many times in the second half, and with more decisiveness in front of goal they could have easily increased the

score. The best chance was a hard shot from Sobczyk held well by El Zein.

Polonia's left winter Kenny Smith was the target throughout the half. He was going straight past his full-back, John Karaspyros, and troubling the Canterbury defence, which doesn't seem to have anybody sweeping.

Polonia coach Tony Komoder switched young central striker Scott Dickson to midfield for the Croatia game, and kept him there for this one.

"Scotty is always working, he never gives up," Komoder said. "The same with Graham Sockee."

However, the Dickson switch has taken sting out of the forward-line.

had more scoring chances than Canterbury.

And he is not worried about dropping back to the relegation zone — "We are too good, particularly in defence."

Best for Polonia were goalkeeper Ziggy Kalinowski, stopper Andrew Grosas, left-back Ron Geekie and Smith.

No-one really stood out for Canterbury, although left-back Glen Laws had a good match.

POLONIA: Kalinowski, Fuller, Geekie, Galas, Grosas, Wisniewski, Garlowski, Dickson, Sockee, Sobczyk, Smith.

CANTERBURY: El Zein, Karaspyros, Laws, Lane, Titilas, Anagnostopoulos, Basterfield, Georgiou (Hall 45), Arnold, Brown, Tramnidis.

REFEREE: Richard Lorenc. CROWD: 140.

CORRY CAUTIOUS, HALL RETURNS

By Brad Earl

Ron Corry, the coach of Canterbury-Marrickville Olympic, was very cautious



RON CORRY
after his side leapfrogged up the State League table into outright second place with a 6-2 away victory over another top-of-the-table side, Riverwood.

Corry's words were: "Everyone gets carried away with one result. We could come down to earth with a big thud."

That's what happened — with the side crashing to defeats against Sutherland and Polonia.

Along with Croatia, the Berries had the fewest number of defeats from the first 15 rounds, and those defeats were against Riverwood at home and against Croatia at King Tomislav.

Realistically Canterbury can only claim a top four berth this year — and they will have to fight for that in a very close competition.

CLUB FOCUS: CANTERBURY

Corry was appointed coach for the season after retiring as a player with Marconi, and entered the job with promises to instill a professional attitude at the club, to give youngsters their chance, to play entertaining football, and to make Canterbury a strong club again.

And the man who started out his long, successful

more than a fair share of luck in some games.

Former reserve goalkeeper Ali El Zein has obviously benefitted from former Soccerroo custodian Corry's coaching, and ex-St George keeper Donny Smith is waiting to grab the place after suffering an arm injury earlier in the year.

At the back, Greek centre-back Angelo Titilas has reached good form despite a slow start and carrying extra weight, and he has been scoring a goal a game recently. John Lane is covering Titilas well when he attacks, while John Karaspyros, Glen Laws and



JOHN LANE

career as one of the Canterbury babes at the beginning of 1960s says of the present team: "There's a tremendous team spirit, and a good fighting spirit, although our commitment has been lacking."

As he points out, he hasn't bought a player, but experienced men like Neil Williamson, Mark Barton, Alex McPherson and Allan Bourke have all been sold this year.

A big advantage is that for several weeks the team has remained unchanged ... and they also have had



CRAIG HALL



ROSS BROWN

promising youngster Zelko Miokovic are vying for the full-back berths.

Karaspyros was suspended for the match against Sutherland and was fined by the club — after the incident in the Riverwood game when Barry Walker was sent off — for lack of professionalism.

Experienced ex-Sutherland player Jimmy Basterfield, Lucky Georgiou and John Anagnostopoulos (a player who was in the huge Sydney City nursery two years ago) hold down the midfield positions.

Up-front, club captain Ross Brown, the most experienced player in the team, and Graham Arnold, the youngster having his first season of senior Soccer, have formed a dangerous partnership, with ex-Sydney Olympic PSL player Chris Themnidis working well on the right wing.

Themnidis, and out-and-

out winger, has only had a regular first-team place for the past two months, and Corry praised his skill: "He can do anything with the ball in the opponent's half."

Last week teenager Arnold was the subject of an \$8,000 bid by Sydney Olympic — which was turned down.

Putting pressure on those forwards are youngsters Nick Theodorakopoulos and Billy Vassiliou, and Craig Hall.

Hall, who won the NSW Under 21 Player of the Year award two years in a row in 1977 and '78, was signed by the Berries from Sutherland for \$10,000 in 1980. The striker spent some months overseas at the end of 1980, and when he made a return to Soccer with Canterbury midway through last year, he broke his ankle in his second match in second grade.

GOALLESS DRAW A FAIR RESULT

By George Streeter

Although there were no goals, Sutherland and Blacktown City played a fast, entertaining game in which the defences dominated throughout.

Both Mal Haynes in the Sutherland goal and Blacktown keeper Bruce James had a busy afternoon, but they both came through with flying colours.

Haynes was in action in the second minute when he made a smart save from a hard Robert Wheatley 12-metre shot.

In the 10th minute James made a determined dive to take the ball from the feet of the oncoming Nigel Groome.

Soon after this Mike Quarmby sent Paul Kirwan clear down the left but the Demons' winger put his shot across goal and over the byline.

Blacktown went close once again when Wheatley headed over the crossbar following clever build-up work by Clive Campbell.

Sutherland looked like scoring in the 31st minute when Groome hit the Demons bar and Tony Bush, following up, hit the rebound only to see James make a spectacular fingertip save over the bar.

Paul Burrows made an impressive return to Blacktown after his spell with Leichhardt and one 22-metre drive in the second half was only inches wide of the left upright.

He was on target again in the 68th minute with a fierce 20-metre drive which Haynes pushed away for a corner.

Sutherland set up a great move in the 72nd minute when Greg Watkins sent Shane Clinch away on the left. He then crossed to Warren Rogers but his header was held by James.

Cliff Pointer kept a firm grip on Sutherland striker Tony Bush, but when he did manage to shake him off late in the game he shot across the face of goal.

Burrows did put the ball in the Sutherland net from 25 metres near the end but unfortunately for Blacktown, a player was ruled offside.

SUTHERLAND: Haynes, Hesford, Cashman, Dal Forno, Schumann, Groome, Watkins, Clinch, Bush, W. Rogers, Harrington.

BLACKTOWN: James, Wheatley, Quarmby, Brogan, Pointer, Selva, Gomez (O'Shana 80), Campbell, Burrows, Johnston, Kirwan.

REFEREE: Graham Warne. **CROWD:** 578.

LACK-LUSTRE EAGLES

Auburn dominated Melita Eagles at Mona Park but wasted several chances before winning with two goals in the last quarter of an hour.

Auburn controlled the midfield and were on top for most of the game, although Melita were dangerous in breakaways.

Melita keeper Alex McPherson was soon in action and in the 12th minute he made a fine save when he tipped a Mick Dale shot over the bar. Melita nearly took a first half lead against the run of play but Ernie Campbell blasted a 12 metre shot straight at Auburn keeper Neil Walker.

Ray Carney had a good chance to put Auburn in front in the 54th minute when he beat Melita's offside track, but McPherson saved well at his feet.

Nine minutes later Auburn's Mark Holloway found himself with only McPherson to beat, but his chip was wide of the target.

Holloway made amends in the 74th minute when he scored from eight metres after a cross from Auburn's right had caused a scramble in the Melita goalmouth.

Melita had a chance to equalise three minutes later when Greg McCoy put Don Allan through, but the striker blasted his shot wide.

Seven minutes from the end Mark Holloway dribbled through the Melita defence only to be brought down by McPherson.

AUBURN: Walker, Quigley, McInerney, Prigomelja, Hardwick, Atwell, Turner, Dale, Allen, Holloway, Carney.

MELITA: McPherson, McCoy, Ankudinoff, Daley, McGinn, Cross, Martinez, Farrugia, Allan, Jamieson, Campbell.

YUGAL SHOCK MANLY

High-riding Manly suffered a shock 3-0 home defeat at the hands of Yugal who soaked up all the Seasiders could throw at them and countered with devastating effectiveness.

Manly had the better of the first half and missed two golden opportunities to take the lead.

In his half-time talk, Yugal coach Iliya Takac told his team not to give away the ball so easily, to tighten up the defence and concentrate on counter attack.

His plan worked perfectly and Yugal took the lead in the 57th minute when the Manly keeper dropped a high corner and in the ensuing scramble Yugal striker Paul Benecke shot home from 10 metres.

Manly pushed forward for an equaliser but the Yugal defence, well-marshalled at the back by David McIntosh, prevented any clear goal scoring chances.

In the 77th minute Manly paid the price for stretching their defence when Yugal launched a counter attack through Benecke on the right. Benecke's cross from the by-line found Mark Rendell in the Manly penalty area.

Rendell passed to the unmarked Mihajlovic, who placed a low shot from 16 metres past the Manly keeper.

In the last minute of the match a long clearance from the Yugal defence found Benecke on the left, who outran a Manly defender before cracking home a hard left foot shot.

AMALGAMATION OFF THE RAILS

By Keith Gilmour

The 100,000-strong NSW Amateur Soccer Federation is amazed over the NSW Soccer Federation's attitude towards amalgamating both organisations into one State-wide body.

NSW Amateur president Ian Holmes told ASW: "On one hand we read that the seniors want to see both Federations united."

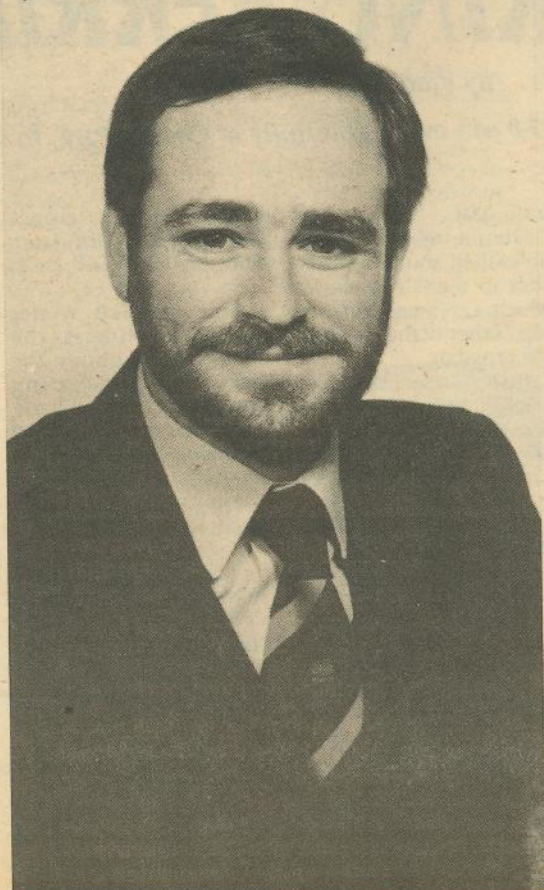
"Then on the other we received a quite bluntly-worded letter in March which states that they would not be continuing discussions with us on the question."

The Amateurs are adamant that the whole history of amalgamation negotiations has been clouded with backing and filling since they commenced in 1979.

Mr Holmes continued: "Things started reasonably enough, but by 1980 they started to go off the rails, as the NSW Federation would not go to the conference table in spite of many requests."

"When we did achieve a meeting we were fronted with a massive coverage as to why the juniors should contribute large sums of money to the Parklea project."

The aims and policies formulated in 1979 scarcely got a mention.



IAN HOLMES

"Another year lapsed. At the next meeting we were told that all previous discussions were to be disregarded and all we received was a list of conditions."

Mr Holmes said that by then it was patently clear that the senior Federation people were only interested in how much money they could extract from junior players.

They found that their fears were fully confirmed when NSW president Karel Rodny wrote in his latest Annual Report: "The NSW Federation will have to take a new look at affiliation fees from the amateurs. Eventually, we may approach the matter as it is approached in Victoria where a \$1 levy is placed on every registered

player."

The NSW Federation has some 3,000 players and the best-drawing clubs in Southern NSW outside the Philips Soccer League.

The NSW Amateur Federation has almost 100,000 players in some 34 associations and an unbelievably fine track record in their operations.

It is inconceivable that the Amateurs will accept other than a status of equal importance in an amalgamation.

And in addition there is even less chance that they will be milked dry by anyone, because their primary objectives of better administration, better juniors and coaching and promotion can be met indefinitely from their own resources.

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KU-RING-GAI'S BIG STEP

By Keith Gilmour

Ku-ring-gai Soccer Club Ltd could at last have ideal premises for their licensed club.

The club is in the last stages of negotiations for premises right in the heart of Hornsby and only a stone's throw from Hornsby Railway Station.

The property comprises the entire ground floor of the former Hornsby Theatre and the former Sydney-Wide Discount store.

The present facilities, last used as a huge restaurant, seats 400 in the main auditorium and has two separate dining rooms as well as other desirable facilities already installed.

Club director Max Wharton said: "The property meets our main criteria of being handy to a station or main transport point, of being right in a business district where meals are called for regularly, and where adequate car parking is at hand."

"It will be on long-term lease, and thus we avoid crippling capital outlay." Ku-ring-gai will retain its control of the Peacock Palace Chinese Restaurant in nearby Dural Street as it has proved a worthwhile investment.

A development application is being lodged with Hornsby Shire Council this week.

Upon approval the club would operate firstly as a restaurant and then apply for a club licence.

With a new ground to be developed in Kookaburra Rd, Hornsby Heights, and a club and a

restaurant in central Hornsby, the centre of Ku-ring-gai Soccer will have completely moved

Second and Third Grade Results

Polonia v Canterbury	0-7, 0-0
Manly v Yugal	1-2, 1-0
Sutherland v Blacktown	4-1, 4-4
Riverwood v Bankstown	0-0, 3-0
Avala v Rockdale	3-3, 3-5
Auburn v Melita	1-2, 1-2
Monaro v Croatia	1-2

Second Grade

Sutherland	17	13	3	1	40	15	29
Melita	17	10	5	2	36	16	25
Blacktown	17	7	8	2	29	20	22
Croatia	17	8	5	4	21	14	21
Riverwood	17	8	4	5	28	21	20
Canterbury	17	7	4	6	34	24	18
Manly	17	7	3	7	33	29	17
Blacktown	17	6	3	8	31	31	15
Rockdale	17	5	5	7	19	30	15
Auburn	17	5	4	8	20	26	14
Yugal	17	6	2	9	23	36	14
Monaro	17	5	1	11	23	38	11
Polonia	17	3	3	11	19	28	9
Polonia	17	3	2	12	9	37	8

Third Grade

Melita	16	14	0	2	47	11	28
Sutherland	16	11	3	2	48	20	25
Blacktown	16	10	5	1	35	18	25
Riverwood	16	11	3	2	35	19	25
Canterbury	16	7	3	6	20	19	17
Rockdale	16	7	3	6	27	28	17
Manly	16	7	3	5	22	23	17
Croatia	16	6	1	8	32	32	13
Auburn	16	5	4	7	23	28	12
Polonia	16	4	2	10	18	33	10
Bankstown	16	3	2	11	19	35	8
Yugal	16	2	2	11	15	38	6
Avala	16	0	1	15	17	54	1

First Division Results

Warringah v Dee Why	3-1, 1-1, 0-4
Bathurst v Gladesville	0-4, 0-3, 0-3
Parramatta v Revesby	2-1, 2-1, 2-3
Belmore v Fairy Meadow	0-0, 0-1, 0-3
Nth Bankstown v Ku-ring-gai	0-1, 0-4, 0-3
Wollongong v Blacktown	1-3, 2-0, 0-1
Penrith v Uni NSW	0-2, 1-0, 7-0

THE LOWER LEAGUES

from Ku-ring-gai Municipality of Hornsby Shire.

Already Ku-ring-gai Soccer Association covers the district from Hornsby to Brooklyn,

whereas Gladesville-Hornsby Football Association handles the Hornsby area from Eastwood-Epping through to Normanhurst.

First Grade

Ku-ring-gai	17	14	2	1	29	6	30
Blacktown	17	11	2	4	43	21	24
Wollongong	17	9	5	3	23	14	23
Penrith	17	9	4	4	26	20	22
Warringah	17	7	7	3	32	26	21
Fairy Meadow	17	7	6	4	27	18	20
Nth Bankstown	17	8	2	7	26	21	18
Revesby	17	7	3	7	33	30	17
Gladesville	17	4	6	7	16	22	14
Dee Why	17	4	6	7	23	30	14
Belmore	17	2	7	8	21	31	11
Parramatta	17	4	3	10	20	32	11
Uni NSW	17	3	2	12	10	30	8
Bathurst	17	1	3	13	10	38	5

Second Grade

Fairy Meadow	17	14	3	0	46	16	31
Ku-ring-gai	17	13	2	2	49	8	28
Gladesville	17	13	1	3	37	19	27
Revesby	17	9	5	3	31	13	23
Nth Bankstown	17	9	4	4	22	16	22
Penrith	17	6	7	4	26	20	19
Parramatta	17	5	6	6	24	25	16
Warringah	17	6	2	9	26	30	14
Uni NSW	17	5	3	9	18	27	13
Wollongong	17	5	2	10	18	32	12
Dee Why	17	3	5	9	17	25	11
Bathurst	17	3	3	11	13	39	9
Blacktown	17	2	4	11	14	32	8
Belmore	17	0	5	12	13	52	5

Third Grade

Ku-ring-gai	17	13	4	0	45	11	30
Blacktown	17	13	2	2	42	18	28
Gladesville	17	12	3	2	49	16	27
Penrith	17	11	2	4	54	16	24
Fairy Meadow	17	8	4	5	29	14	20
Belmore	17	8	4	5	27	15	20
Dee Why	17	8	3	6	28	22	19
Parramatta	17	8	0	9	41	30	16
Warringah	17	7	1	9	29	48	15
Wollongong	17	3	5	9	20	40	11
Nth Bankstown	17	4	3	10	23	45	11
Revesby	17	3	3	11	18	42	9
Bathurst	17	3	0	14	17	44	6
Uni NSW	17	0	2	15	7	68	2

OLYMPIC TO VISIT MT DRUITT

Sydney Olympic will be travelling to western Sydney to play leading Second Division team, Mt Drutt Town, on Tuesday, July 27.

Mt Drutt will be augmented by the appearance of several leading players from the Philips and State Leagues.

The match, to be played at Popondetta Park, Blackett, is for charity, with the proceeds going to the children's ward of the Mt Drutt hospital.

Mt Drutt will be approached Marconi for Ian Hunter and Tommy McCulloch, Blacktown City for Rob Wheatley and Melita Eagles for Paul Daley, Alex Jamieson and Hector Martinez to appear as guests for the "Town".

A curtain-raiser will be played prior to the kick-off of the match at 8 pm, between the NSW U13 team and a Mt Drutt U14 select team.

PENRITH MUST NOW KEEP CROWD

Penrith United attracted a 2,200 crowd for their exhibition match against the Leichhardt PSL team on a very cold Wednesday night recently.

That was quite an improvement on their "regular" home crowd of less than 100 in First Division, and highlighted the untapped crowd potential of the area.

The match itself finished in a 2-1 win for the Strikers, with the Youth teams drawing 0-0 in the early game. Leichhardt coach Willie Wallace congratulated the Penrith team on their performance, and singled out goalkeeper Mike Gibson and striker Billy Hood for praise.

Wallace also praised the initiative of the Penrith club for staging the night, and

Penrith officials reciprocated, thanking the cooperation of Leichhardt. They emphasised that the purpose of the night was to promote Philips League Soccer in Sydney's west, on top of promoting the local club.

The match was attended by local politicians, and the NSW minister for sport, Mr Mike Cleary, was a special guest.

Penrith's next match was the local derby against Blacktown United — with both sides challenging for First Division honours — and Penrith came out victorious 2-0 away from home.

A recent signing for Penrith was promising youngster and a State junior representative, Kevin Limb, from Polonia, where he made one first-team appearance as substitute.

ROBERTO IN TROUBLE

Wollongong United coach Larry Ashbolt has had to have a "fatherly talk" with talented striker Roberto Giraldi.

Because of a leg injury, Giraldi has made limited appearances for United this season, but still manages to get a good view of the yellow card.

In just six first grade games, he has been shown the card five times and was automatically suspended for the Blacktown United game.

Ashbolt said he has told Giraldi to cool down and concentrate on what he is getting paid to do — score goals.

"He is a very talented striker but we have had enough problems with injuries and suspensions for one season," the coach said.

If it was any consolation, Giraldi's brother Paul, returned to the side the week Roberto was suspended.

Paul had been out for two games after being sent off in an earlier match for punching.

Fairy Meadow full-back Micky White now has his own full-back combination at home.

Just before the Parramatta game, his wife, Linda, presented him with a second boy.

White celebrated by helping Fairy Meadow to a 3-0 win and now has to start saving up for a second pair of small-size Soccer boots.

One of the most consistent players in the Fairy Meadow side this season, White has the ability to overlap intelligently and cause problems for the opposition.

N.S.W. SOCCER FEDERATION

PRESENTS TOP ACTION SOCCER

COCA-COLA BOTTLERS LEAGUE

ROUND 18 — SATURDAY, JULY 10:

Rockdale Ilinden Inter	v Riverwood
Cant.-M'ville Oly	v Inter Monaro
Croatia Sydney	v Manly Warringah

St George Stadium
Arlington Oval
King Tomislav Park

SUNDAY, JULY 11:

Blacktown City	v Polonia
Bankstown City	v Sutherland Shire
Melita Eagles	v Avala
S.S.C. Yugal	v Auburn

Gabbie Stadium
Soccer Centre
Melita Stadium
Concord Oval

FIRST DIVISION

ROUND 18 — SATURDAY, JULY 10:

Revesby Workers	v Belmore
Blacktown United	v Bathurst '75

Banks Mem. Ovcl
Francis Park

SUNDAY, JULY 11:

Dee Why	v Parramatta City
Fairy Meadow	v Ku-ring-gai
Gladesville Ravens	v Warringah-N'been
Uni. of N.S.W.	v Wollongong United
Penrith United	v North Bankstown

Graham Reserve
Police Boys Gd
Peel Park
Little Bay Oval
Cook Park

KICK-OFF TIMES (All games):

Third Grade 11.40 am, Second Grade 1.20 pm, First Grade 3 pm.



Second Division

Mt Drutt v Nth Ryde	2-2, 1-2, 1-3
Queens Park v Liverpool	0-0, 4-0, 2-0
Artarmon v Nineveh	7-0, 3-0, 0-6
Gladesville v Riverstone	2-3, 3-1, 1-1
Lane Cove v Kingsford	4-1, 0-0, 2-4
Campbelltown v Baulkham Hills	2-0, 1-2, 1-4

First Grade — Campbelltown 22 Artarmon 21 Mt Drutt 17 Nth Ryde 15 Liverpool 15 Kingsford 14 Gladesville 13 Baulkham Hills 13 Queens Park 12 Lane Cove 10 Nineveh 8 Riverstone 6
Second Grade — Nth Ryde 22 Gladesville 20 Campbelltown 19 Mt Drutt 15 Artarmon 15 Baulkham Hills 15 Kingsford 12 Queens Park 11 Riverstone 11 Liverpool 11 Nineveh 10 Lane Cove 5
Third Grade — Gladesville 21 Kingsford 20 Nth Ryde 19 Baulkham Hills 19 Campbelltown 17 Riverstone 17 Queens Park 16 Mt Drutt 14 Liverpool 13 Lane Cove 5 Nineveh 5 Artarmon 0

Third Division

Padstow v Eastern Creek	2-4, 1-2
Bondi v Fairfield West	1-1, 2-2
Concordia v Hurstville	1-2, 4-2
West Holroyd v Spanish	2-2, 2-0
Wenty Waratahs v Sydney Uni	5-1, 0-3
Pt Hacking v Fairfield Kiev	0-3, 1-1

First Grade — Bondi 20 Fairfield Kiev 18 Wenty Waratahs 17 Fairfield West 16 Pt Hacking 16 Concordia 16 Spanish 14 Hurstville 11 Eastern Creek 11 Padstow 11 Sydney Uni 8 West Holroyd 8
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Fourth Division

Canley Heights v West Ryde	1-0, 4-2
Pagewood v Chelsea	2-1, 0-1
West St George v Revesby	5-1, 3-0
King Tomislav v Glenquarrie	0-0, 0-4
Sydney Maccabi v Winston Hills	4-2, 2-0
Maroubra v Moorebank	0-2, 0-6

First Grade — Canley Heights 20 King Tomislav 19 Moorebank 17 Maroubra 17 Sydney Maccabi 15 West St George 15 Glenquarrie 15 West Ryde 14 Pagewood 14 Chelsea 12 Winston Hills 4 Revesby 2
Second Grade — Moorebank 23 West St George 22 Glenquarrie 20 Sydney Maccabi 18 Chelsea 18 Canley Heights 15 King Tomislav 13 Pagewood 10 Maroubra 8 West Ryde 7 Winston Hills 7 Revesby 3

Fifth Division

Green Valley v Eastwood	1-3, 0-3
Liverpool City v Colo Colo	4-0, 4-1
Macquarie Uni v Chullora	1-0, 5-0
Hawkesbury v Blacktown Wanderers	2-2, 2-3
Ryde v Robins	1-1, 0-0
Trasandinos v Haberfield	1-2, 1-0

First Grade — Eastwood 19 Macquarie Uni 18 Hawkesbury 17 Trasandinos 16 Liverpool 16 Ryde 15 Haberfield 15 Green Valley 14 Blacktown Wanderers 14 Robins 11 Colo Colo 7 Chullora 6
Second Grade — Eastwood 24 Macquarie Uni 23 Ryde 18 Green Valley 16 Hawkesbury 14 Liverpool City 13 Colo Colo 13 Robins 12 Blacktown Wanderers 12 Haberfield 10 Trasandinos 9 Chullora 4

Sixth Division

Bunnerong v Liverpool Rangers	1-1, 3-0
Hajduk v Macarthur	2-1, 1-0
Lithgow v Hellas	1-1, 0-2
Blacktown Workers v Murray Farm	4-0, 0-2
Liverpool United v Smithfield	2-2, 0-0
Nepean v Auburn	1-0, 1-0

First Grade — Macarthur 26 Hajduk 17 Murray Farm 16 Smithfield 16 Lithgow 16 Blacktown Workers 13 Liverpool Rangers 13 Hellas 12 Bunnerong 12 Liverpool United 10 Nepean 10 Auburn 4
Second Grade — Murray Farm 22 Smithfield 22 Bunnerong 20 Macarthur 19 Hajduk 18 Nepean 14 Blacktown Workers 14 Auburn 10 Liverpool Rangers 10 Hellas 7 Liverpool United 7 Lithgow 3

Seventh Division

Santiago v Lansvale	1-8, 2-4
Dulwich Hill v Rosebery	3-0, 1-1
Argentinian v Jedinstvo	4-1, 3-0

First Grade — Argentinian 17 Dulwich Hill 14 Rosebery 14 Jedinstvo 14 Welcome 13 Lansvale 8 Sans Souci 6 Santiago 0
Second Grade — Argentinian 20 Dulwich Hill 15 Welcome 14 Rosebery 12 Lansvale 11 Sans Souci 5 Santiago 4 Jedinstvo 3

SECOND DIV:

(Saturday)
North Ryde v Artarmon - North Ryde Oval
Liverpool Albion v Mt Drutt Town - Stanwell Oval
Baulkham Hills v Queens Park E/S - Ted Horwood Reserve
Kingsford v Campbelltown City - Erskineville Oval

(Sunday)
Nineveh Eagles v Gladesville Hby - St Johns Park
Riverstone v Lane Cove Utd - Schofields Park

THIRD DIV:

(Saturday)
Eastern Creek v Concordia - Cawarra Park

(Sunday)

Fairfield West v Padstow Park - Parkes Reserve
Fairfield Kiev v Bondi Marine - Knight Park No 4
Sydney Uni v Port Hacking - University Oval No 1
Hurstville-Zagreb v West Holroyd G/C - Evatt Park
Spanish Club v Wenty Waratahs - Hensley Athletic Field

FOURTH DIV:

(Saturday)
Sydney Maccabi v West St George - Sydney Athletic Field
Chelsea v Canley Heights - Moore Park No 12
Moorebank v Pagewood - Hammondville Park

(Sunday)

West Ryde Chile v West St George - Endeavour Sports Res
Winston Hills v Maroubra United - Max Ruddock Reserve
Revesby Rovers v King Tomislav - Amour Park
Glenquarrie United v Sydney Maccabi - Bensley Road S/C

STATE LEAGUE SPOTLIGHT

DOWNER CAN'T MISS

Downer Olympic will not just shut the door but positively slam it in opponents' faces if they defeat Croatia Deakin at Deakin Oval on Sunday.

Few anticipate that the 1982 premiership can possibly go to anyone but Downer.

**FROM STEVE BURNS
IN CANBERRA**

They have continually strengthened their side yet despite this have had to struggle on several occasions for one-goal margin victories — a solid indication of just how much most teams in the league have improved.

Croatia, however, have not looked at their best in 1982 but are still unpredictable and invariably difficult to defeat on their home ground.

Again Downer may have to satisfy itself with victory by the narrowest margins.

In other games Hanwood are at home to Canberra club, Kambah, and should win comfortably while the

Southern League Results:
Hanwood v Yoogali — 1-2
Croatia v Albury — 1-1
Kambah v Downer — 1-1
Makedonia v Wagga — not reported

Downer	12	9	3	0	39	9	21
Yoogali	12	7	3	2	24	12	17
Croatia	12	6	4	2	22	14	16
Hanwood	12	6	3	3	26	12	15
Albury	12	3	4	5	13	18	10
Wagga	11	1	3	7	12	19	5
Kambah	12	1	3	8	9	33	5
Makedonia	11	2	1	8	14	42	5

Saturday game should be the closest of the weekend.

It brings together great rivals Wagga and Albury — at Albury.

The winner? That's really anyone's guess but Albury start slight favourites.

The other game is just over Canberra's border in Queanbeyan between Queanbeyan and Yoogali. Yoogali desperately want maximum points to retain second spot on the league

ladder but can expect a particularly hard fight.

And just note Canberra referees are on the move to referee Southern League games this weekend.

Well known PSL referee, Bob Mee, has the Croatia-Downer Olympic game while Mike Welsh, often a PSL linesman, has the Albury-Wagga game.

Results from the weekend and the latest league positions are:

MAITLAND CHALLENGE CRUSHED BY LAKES

League leaders Lake Macquarie snuffed out Maitland's title hopes with a crushing 6-0 win at Speers Point.

Lake's captain-coach, Wayne Leary, and dominating centre-back Mike Boogaard, both of whom have played with Maitland, were two of the heroes in a rugged encounter.

Powerful inside-forward David Simpson chipped in with two late goals to complete his hat-trick.

Referee Jim Reeves was kept busy in a pacifying role when the game looked like erupting into violence.

There was one all-in brawl in the Lake's goal-mouth late in the second half and the referee appeared to issue several cautions and an unsuccessful penalty kick to Maitland.

Lakes held a slender one-goal lead at half time but the Maitland defence was continually cut to ribbons after the interval when evergreen John Parkes positioned himself perfectly to score two goals and put the home side in easy street.

Weston showed no ill-effects from the shock 3-0 loss to Maitland the previous week by brushing aside a challenge from Belmont Swansea at Weston Park.

Weston scored a goal in each half and John J Turnbull's effort was one of the ace marksman's best goals of the season.

Adamstown shocked Highfield Azzurri with the ease of their 3-0 win at Whitebridge Park.

Goals by Phil Ridley, Chris Beatty and replacement midfielder, Alan Barnes allowed Weston to leapfrog over Azzurri on the points table with a better goal difference into second place.

In a bottom-of-the-table clash Central Coast moved four points ahead of Tam-

worth City with a comfortable 2-0 win at Woy Woy before a good crowd.

Scores:
Weston 2 (R Mansley, J J Turnbull) b Belmont Swansea 0
Reserve: Weston 6 b Belmont Swansea 1
Lake Macquarie 6 (D Simpson 3, J Parkes 2, K Caban) b

Lake Macquarie	14	10	2	2	38	10	22
Weston	14	8	3	3	31	14	19
Highfield Azzurri	14	8	3	3	24	18	19
Maitland	13	5	5	3	19	20	15
Belmont Swansea	13	7	0	6	23	17	14
West Wallsend	13	5	4	4	17	15	14
Adamstown	14	4	5	5	15	11	13
Coffs Harbour	13	4	3	6	20	28	11
Hamilton Red Star	13	2	5	6	12	19	9
Central Coast	14	3	2	9	8	32	8
Tamworth City	13	1	2	10	11	44	4

Maitland 0
Reserve: Lake Macquarie 4 b Maitland 0
Adamstown 3 (P Ridley, C Beatty, A Barnes) b Highfield Azzurri 0
Reserve: Adamstown 3 b Highfield Azzurri 0
Central Coast 2 (N Mason 2) b Tamworth City 0
Reserve: Central Coast 3 b Tamworth City 0

AZZURRI HAS TITLE GIFT-PACKED

The SA Rothmans League is becoming a farce as Azzurri runs away with the title it won last season.

Last weekend it hammered Croatia 5-1 on the latter's ground and this weekend the match is an instant replay in the quarter finals of the Federation Cup, which Azzurri also holds.

Para Hills, who are at home in the Cup to Windsor this weekend, hung onto second place with a 3-1 home win over northern rivals Elizabeth.

If they avoid each other in the draw it could be an Azzurri-Para cup final.

In the other quarter-finals, second division's Cumberland take on amateur team Salisbury Inter at Cumberland while first division rivals Port Adelaide and Campbelltown meet at the latter's ground.

They also met last week down at the Port for a 1-1 draw. In other league games Noarlunga were left at the bottom of the table following a 1-2 loss to Birkalla who stay in fifth place.

Port climbed to seventh with its draw against Campbelltown.

Croatia crashed to second bottom only two points above Noarlunga and behind Elizabeth on goal difference.

In the top four Polonia dumped Beograd 2-0 at Woodville to move into third spot in place of Beograd who are now fourth.

So Azzurri is still five points ahead with Para, Polonia, Beograd and perhaps Birkalla fighting it out for a place in the Coca Cola Top Four cup at the end of the league season.

Campbelltown may not be out of it yet on 12 points, one behind Birkalla, but lack shooting power as do Elizabeth who are now in danger of being relegated if Noarlunga can string a few points together.

Croatia have two aces it can produce to avoid relegation and perhaps pull off a surprise in the cup — Peter Blute to

ALSTON CELEBRATES TOO SOON

Most Soccer players have an embarrassing moment ... even former World Cup star Adrian Alston.

**FROM PHIL MURPHY
IN WOLLONGONG**

Playing his third game for Illawarra club Coniston recently, Alston "thought" he had scored a goal.

With Corrimall leading Coniston 1-0, "Noddy" was given a great scoring chance from a Brian Condron cross.

Alston sent the ball slowly towards the goal with goalkeeper Andy Walsh out of position and turned to run back to the centre with his arms raised.

Unfortunately for him a defender appeared from nowhere to clear the ball off the line and Alston and other Coniston players set to celebrate the "goal" were disappointed.

Alston scored both goals as his new club Coniston beat Shoalhaven 2-0 at Bomaderry Oval, near Nowra, the week before.

The former Socceroo star gave notice that he will be a big asset to Coniston in their bid to win the premiership.

Fairy Meadow vice-president Frank Saladino missed his first game in 13 years when "the Meadow" played Parramatta City.

Saladino was around when the club first started in the lower divisions of the Illawarra district and has been at games home and away ever since.

He felt bad about missing the Parramatta game, particularly as his team lost 5-1 to Warringah the previous week.

"I was a bit worried the boys might think I had deserted them because of that loss," Saladino said.

"The problem was I had to go to Leeton to pick up my mother and father and would never have been back in time for the game."

Fernhill must have created some kind of record when they grabbed three goals in as many

minutes in the game against Cringila.

They trailed 1-0 at half-time but certainly took notice of the half-time talk given to them by coach Daryl Glover.

Glover told them they had to put more effort into their game and push forward more from midfield positions.

Before Cringila knew what had hit them Peter Thompson equalised then Grant Isedale hit home a 25 metre free-kick.

A minute later Isedale, the team's right full-back, scored from the penalty spot and the game was as good as over.

It finished up a 5-2 win for Fernhill.

Shamrocks are supposed to be lucky, but West-Figtree coach Luke Robaard doesn't agree after an incident during the Bampton Cup game between his side and Dapto.

With no score the Figtree coach took the opportunity to race off to his car and listen to the Brisbane Cup on his radio.

The car was parked out of view of the ground and while he was away Dapto took the lead.

Robaard had backed a horse named Shamrock, which finished out of a place, and was shocked to find his team behind when he returned.

The frustrating thing was that Robaard couldn't blame any of his defenders for conceding the goal, because he didn't see it!

Illawarra Soccer players should be warned that if they are going to get injured do it early in the game.

Corrimall coach Graeme Funnell found this out when he suffered a head gash against Shoalhaven recently.

Funnell was taken to the casualty section at Wollongong Hospital late in the afternoon but had to wait until 9 pm for treatment.

It seems Saturdays and Sundays are the days staff treat football injuries in all codes and you have to get in early to have a chance of getting away



at a reasonable hour.

Russell Vale's recent success over West-Figtree and then Berkeley have been the talk of Illawarra Soccer.

The club was invited into premier league this season but many people didn't think they had the talent to stay there very long.

Figtree and Berkeley were on top of the table when they lost to Russell Vale.

Premier League Scores

Berkeley 2 Corrimall Rangers 0, West Figtree 2 Shellharbour 0, Russell Vale 1 Fernhill 0, Cringila 3 Tarrawanna 2, Shoalhaven 3 Lysaghts 2, Coniston 4 Bellambi 0.

Points: West Figtree 21, Bellambi 20, Berkeley 19, Coniston 18, Corrimall 15, Shellharbour 15, Fernhill 14, Cringila 14, Russell Vale 12, Tarrawanna 6, Lysaghts 6, Shoalhaven 5.

VALLEYS COACH BLASTS PLAYERS

The quarter-finals of the Queensland and Ampol Cup knockout competition are scheduled for this weekend and Queensland Soccer Federation officials are desperately hoping for fine weather this week to allow four remaining first round ties to be decided.

So tightly congested is the local programme here this season that one wet weekend, now nearly six weeks ago caused a backlog of matches that is now only beginning to be cleared.

The delays have also been caused by the involvement of some Brisbane First Division clubs in Ampol Cup and in mid-week fixtures which are a necessity in their 15-team competition.

Those clubs already through to the quarter-finals of the Cup are State League sides Lions, Across The Waves, Valleys and Townsville.

Lions and Waves, who play each other in the forthcoming round, had little trouble in their first round ties. Lions easily beat low State Leaguers Carpiornia 3-0, while Waves accounted for the Sunshine Coast Association team, one of the country qualifiers, 4-1.

Valleys should have had an easy job beating the Bundaberg Federation team, another country qualifier, but made things tough for themselves before emerging 3-1 winners. And that result came after a half-time blast by coach Mauro Saffich. Saffich blasted his players for not listening to instructions and playing like prima donnas. He substituted sweeper Dave Melia and later fined and suspended him for one week.

Townsville and the North Queensland Federation

A key player for the newcomers is Paul Morgan — he scored a hat-trick in the 4-3 success over Berkeley.

The youngster is certainly a good clubman as he turns up early each week to play in goal for the under 19 side, who don't have a regular keeper.

Warilla Sports' experienced utility player Brian Midgley won't forget the successive games against Oak Flats and Dapto for a long time.

Against Oak Flats he suffered a head gash that required stitching, but he was back on deck a week later to play against Dapto.

Late in that game he became tangled up in the net and suffered a badly lacerated leg when he struck a metal stanchion.

It meant five days in hospital and probably about five weeks of being a spectator.

Formerly a fullback with Berkeley and Coniston in the premier League, Midgley is now sweeper with first division Warilla.

Coach Dennis Morris describes him as a key player in his side and their promotion hopes will certainly suffer by his absence.

**FROM GREG RUSSELL
IN BRISBANE**

team, the third country qualifier, played a vicious first round tie that resulted in Townsville striker Paul Wormley being taken to hospital. Wormley, a big strong centre-forward, received a knock to the throat and could not talk. He collapsed on the bench after leaving the field.

Also injured in the game, which Townsville won by one corner in extra-time after the scores were locked at 1-1, included goalkeeper Phil Figgins with concussion and Frank Houston with an ankle injury.

It was one of the closest tussles ever between the two teams and the aggression which crept into the game was partly attributed by many to the fact that the Federation team contained several former Townsville players who went back to local football when new coach Ken Worden an several new players were signed this year.

The matches which were to be played this week included Ipswich v Wynnum, Brisbane City v Nambour Reds, Brisbane Olympic v Acacia Ridge and Mount Gravatt v Twin Towns.

Ipswich appear to have the easiest tie, while City could edge out Nambour, Olympic might prove a fraction better than Acacia Ridge and Mount Gravatt could surprise Twin Towns.

CLICHES AVOIDED ... LIKE THE PLAGUE

By Andy Jones

Soccer writers and commentators are famous for their prolific use of metaphors and cliches.

Players "rifle," "crack," "stab," "fire," "slam" or "rocket" the ball in the back of the net often "giving the keeper no chance," while others more subtly "slip the ball home from close range," while others not quite as subtle choose to "poke it in."

Those not so lucky have shots which "cannon off the woodwork," or sometimes the woodwork gets so mean that it actually "denies" a player a goal.

The game, meanwhile, has its usual collection of "bustling strikers," "mid-field dynamos," "solid sweepers" and "speedy wingers," who rush around playing "probing through balls," making "scorching runs" or "telling passes."

All this of course is very exciting, particularly for a commentator. The more excited they get the more ambitious the phrases that trip off their tongues or typewriters.

But when, "in the heat of the excitement," metaphors get mixed or slightly changed they can produce hilarious results.

For more than three years, a regular feature of the English satirical magazine "Private Eye" has been radio and television boops sent in by its readers.

The column, which is called "Colemanballs," was named after BBC commentator David Coleman, who first rose to "fame" when describing a runner who accelerated away from the rest of the



SAMMY McILROY (RIGHT) IN ACTION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND ... TROUBLE WITH HIS FEET

field to win a race as having "opened his legs and shown his true class."

Countless others have since fallen prey to listeners glued to their sets ready to write down any embarrassing slips.

Some commentators, who shall remain nameless, seem to feature fairly regularly.

Here is a selection: "I wouldn't mind being a fly on Larry Lloyd's shorts." - Martin Johnson, Radio Trent.

"Sporting Lisbon in their green and white hooped shirts ... they

look like a team of zebras." - Peter Jones, BBC Radio.

"My left foot is not one of my best." - Sammy McIlroy (Northern Ireland international), Yorkshire TV.

"... And now the familiar sight of Liverpool raising the League Cup for the first time." - Brian Moore (presenter of Big League Soccer), ITV.

"After a goalless first half, the score at half-time is 0-0." - Brian Moore, ITV.

"... And Arsenal's manager Terry Neill isn't

here today, which suggests he is elsewhere." - Brian Moore, ITV.

"Some of these players never dreamed they would be playing in a Cup Final at Wembley, but here they are fulfilling those dreams." - Laurie McMenemy (Southampton manager), BBC TV.

"For a player to ask for a transfer has opened everybody's eyebrows." - Bobby Robson (Ipswich manager), BBC TV.

"The score is Middlesbrough 1 Middlesbrough 0 and Middlesbrough

have now gone 11 matches without a win." - David Coleman, BBC.

"Gary Bailey had to choose tonight to miss out on saving that." - David Coleman, BBC.

"Tottenham have got the bullets that can produce the goods." - Jimmy Greaves, ITV.

"And Keegan was there like a surgeons' knife — bang!" - Bryan Butler, BBC Radio.

"The advantage of being at home is very much with the home side." - Denis Law, BBC Radio.

"Manchester City manager John Bond's smile is always very, very good radio." - Mike Ingham, BBC Radio.

"Thank you for evoking memories — particularly of days gone by." - Mike Ingham, BBC Radio.

I've heard several slips recently. Two that come to mind are Craig Johnston, during his discussions of the World Cup matches on ABC, when he described Maradona as "having to live up to the mantle that people have put him on," and Tommy Docherty's "Soccer's a rat race, the trouble is the rats are winning."

If you have any favourite funny quotes or slips by Soccer commentators (including us!), then we'd like to hear from you.

Don't get us wrong, though, we're not out to make fun, just to share some!



LAWRIE McMENEMY: "Some of these players never dreamed they would be playing in a Cup Final at Wembley, but here they are fulfilling those dreams."

WEATHER THE ENEMY IN STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

By Don Balmain

There were a number of surprising results from the State Championships held in three states.

In NSW, the first upset was that the powerful St George team, containing many 1981 State players, went down to newcomers Blacktown in the second round after looking like a workmanlike team by soundly defeating South Coast 4-1 in the opening game.

The first day started with a cool breeze blowing up from the south. Rain came about midday and increased to a steady downpour.

The second newcomer to State competition, Holroyd, fielded two teams. Although defeated in every game, the Holroyd No 2 team, which comprised of players in their lower teens, stuck to the task, earning praise from the State coach, Mike Speed.

Steady rain in Sydney made the two allocated fields unplayable on Sunday, but through the generosity of Mr Harie Denning, the president of Sutherland Association, games were allocated to other fields.

The game that attracted most attention was when St George and Manly-Warringah clashed. The Manly team

comprised of senior and junior reps, with St George seemingly at top strength. This was a game in which no quarter was given and two yellow cards were shown. Manly-Warringah won the game 2-0.

The semi-finalists who played the following day were Blacktown and Manly-Warringah with eight points; Ku-ring-gai with five points and South Coast with four points.

It seemed the Manly team had spent too much effort in their previous match as they went down 4-0 to South Coast in the first semi-final.

At full time in the semi-final between Ku-ring-gai and Blacktown it was scoreless. Extra time was played, with Ku-ring-gai slipping in one goal to clinch a place in the final.

The final was played in driving rain with players shielding their faces to see the ball.

South Coast, the bridesmaids last year, became the 1982 champions.

Perhaps the outstanding feature of this year's championships was the emergence of junior players in

almost all associations to be blooded into strong competition. Of special note is the South Coast 2 team, containing girls still under 15.

The young players showed determination and effort.

The State titles in Queensland were held at Palm Beach and were hosted by the Gold Coast and District Women's Soccer Assn.

On the first day games started at 12.30 pm in perfect weather with the AW-ISA President, Elanne Watson, kicking-off on each field.

Half-way through the second game, the rain clouds came. The deluge then became a hail-storm and the third games were abandoned.

The overall standard of the carnival was very high and the "darkhorses", Maryborough and the Gold Coast (gold team), turned in some creditable performances.

Some of the results of the preliminary rounds were interesting.

The Brisbane team demolished Port Curtis 13-0, with Brisbane Youth ob-

taining a creditable 1-1 draw with the last year's champions Mackay.

At 8 am on the Monday morning, the two games abandoned due to hail on the Saturday were played, although they had no bearing on the top four positions.

All players were keen to complete their assigned games and this was a clear indication of the keen competition which prevailed throughout the weekend.

In the major semi-final most informed spectators expected Brisbane to have a slight edge on the defending champions Mackay.

The game was played hard and fast and Mackay's extremely physical style was met on all levels by Brisbane, who led 2-1 going into the break only to see a determined opponent score another two goals to win 3-2.

In the remaining semi-final, Brisbane Youth team steadily wore down a desperately defending Bundaberg team to score an impressive 3-1 win.

The highlight of the carnival was the game between Mackay and Brisbane Youth to decide the 1982 champs.

WITH THE GIRLS

From a foul just outside the box in the fifth minute, Kerry Millman crashed a shot at goal with the keeper unable to hold it. Set alight by being one down, Mackay retaliated and went to the interval leading 2-1.

Coming back with renewed vigour in the second half, Brisbane Youth looked impressive and combined work saw Sharon Wass and Kaylene Jensen post two goals in 10 minutes.

With no further score in the game, Brisbane Youth, for the first time since their entry to the titles four years ago, became the champions for 1982.

The entire Brisbane team was named in the State squad, together with players from Sunshine Coast, Bundaberg, Toowoomba and Gold Coast.

Again, comments were made of the youth coming to the fore and several good prospects were noted from the under 15 players, who will be competing in the Australian titles in Melbourne in October.

Coaches Perry Dunlop of the Youth team and Fred Robins (open) were most impressed with the dedication and skills displayed by all players.

It would seem that women's Soccer championships are destined to be played in either rain, hail or snow.

As was the case in NSW last year when the girls played in near-zero temperatures at Orange in the central west, history repeated itself at Tamworth where Nth NSW association's event was held.

That city may be a beautiful place, but spectators had decidedly different ideas when they had to sit on the sidelines in temperatures of six degrees. Added to this was low-lying frosty fog and slippery fields.

Not only were the women's Soccer championships played there on the holiday weekend, the men's baseball championship and the hockey championship were high on the agenda.

The spectators and players who wandered across from the baseball to watch the girls play, had looks of disbelief on their faces as they watched from the comfort of their thick clothes at the players braving the elements in their shorts and thin shirts.

The Nthn NSW Championships were played in three divisions this year — Open; Under 17, and Under 15.

Lionel Sneyd, the senior coach, and Garry Chamberlain, his assistant, were impressed with the Under 12 players coming forward to play in the Under 15 titles.

The State Championship winners were:—

Open Division — Macquarie and Districts, with the Far North Coast as runner-up.

Under 17 Division: Central Coast, with Namoi Valley as runner-up.

Under 15 Division: Macquarie and Districts, with the Central Coast as runner-up.

The State teams from three States are as follows:

N.S.W. — J Porter (c), K. Theile; D. McCabe; K. Lembray; S. Pearson; J. Aitken; M. Langlar; K. Mahailic; G. Gelant; H. Laidlaw; R. Ingham; C. Fitzpatrick; C. Vincent; J. McGuffie; J. Kerridge; L. Olson and D. Cooper-thwaite.

QLD — S. Wass; K. Millman; S. Clayton; V. Clayton; K. Jensen; L. Spencer; C. Spencer; J. Millman; K. O'Sullivan; K. Brooke; L. Geddes; L. Priestley; M. Sawyers; A. Hirsch; J. Davis; S. Monteath; L. Smith; V. Donnelly; L. Lange; T. McQueen; N. Sach; C. Byrnes; S. Bubeck; J. Cummins and L. Thorne. (Eighteen to be chosen.)

NTHN N.S.W. — J. Dolan; T. McMahon; R. Iserief; S. Buswell; L. Wright; S. Moffitt; R. Bennett; C. McDonald; C. Burns; K. Dolan; M. Enis; D. Kearns; B. Webster; J. Renshaw; P. Miller; H. Watts; A. Tredinnick and D. Walford.

WEEKEND



FIXTURES

Philips Soccer League

NEWCASTLE KB UTD V WOLLONGONG

VENUE: International Sports Centre.
DATE: Saturday, July 10.
KICK-OFF: 3.00 pm.
OFFICIALS: Referee - J. Reeves; Linesmen - B. Ray, J. Bowdler.

CANBERRA ARROWS V SOUTH MELBOURNE

VENUE: Bruce Stadium.
DATE: Sunday, July 11.
KICK-OFF: 3.00 pm.
OFFICIALS: Referee - R. Lorenc; Linesmen - B. Jovanovic, N. Murray.

FOOTSCRAY V SYDNEY CITY

VENUE: Schintler Reserve.
DATE: Sunday, July 11.
KICK-OFF: 3.00 pm.
OFFICIALS: Referee - J. Johnston; Linesmen - M. Momont, S. Zoumas.

BRISBANE CITY V WEST ADE LAIDE

VENUE: Spencer Park.
DATE: Sunday, July 11.
KICK-OFF: 2.30 pm.
OFFICIALS: Referee - D. Monteverde; Linesmen - W. Turkington, G. Goodwin.

LEICHHARDT V SYDNEY OLYMPIC

VENUE: Lambert Park.
DATE: Sunday, July 11.
KICK-OFF: 3.00 pm.
OFFICIALS: Referee - P. Rampley; Linesmen - R. Doenau, P. Hafey.

HEIDELBERG V PRESTON

VENUE: Heidelberg Ground.
DATE: Sunday, July 11.
KICK-OFF: 3.00 pm.
OFFICIALS: Referee - C. Bambridge; Linesmen - B. Upjohn, N. Okur.

ST GEORGE V BRISBANE LIONS

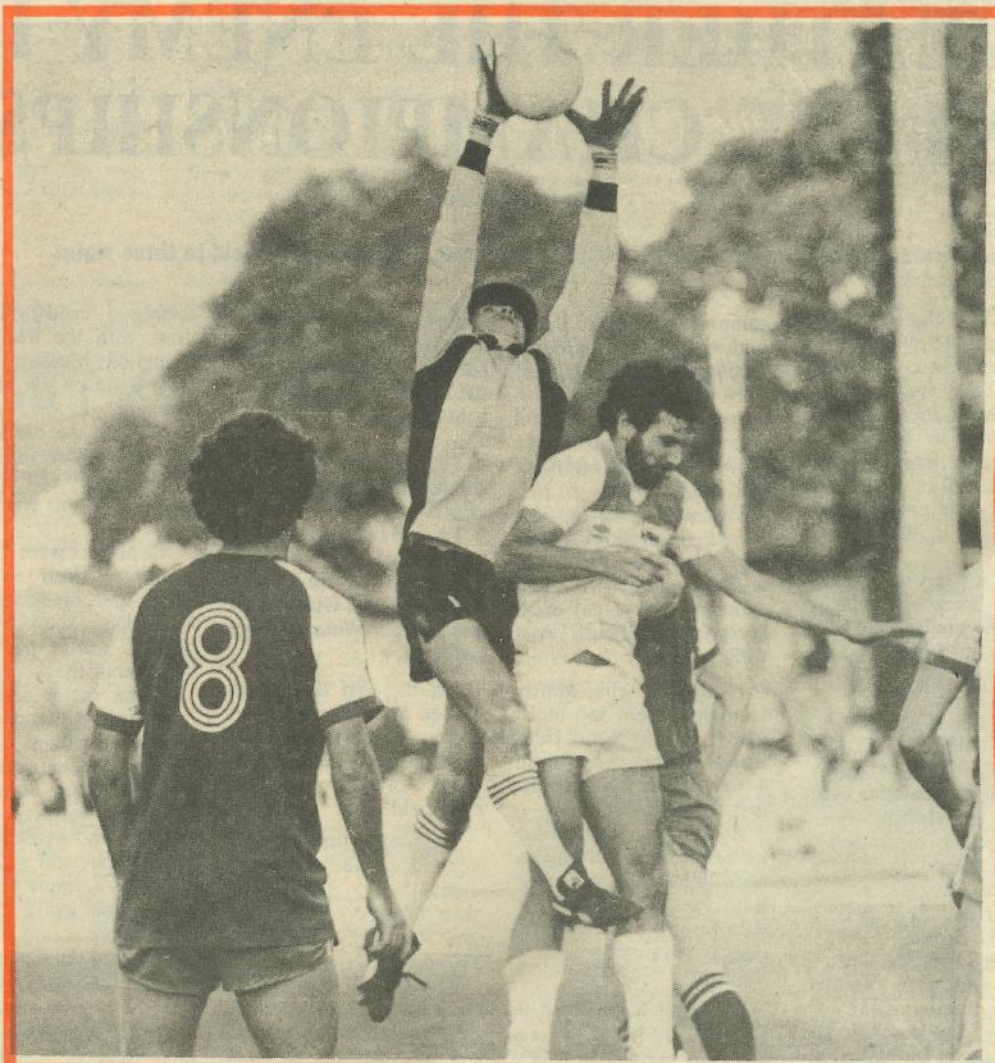
VENUE: St George Stadium.
DATE: Sunday, July 11.
KICK-OFF: 3.00 pm.
OFFICIALS: Referee - D. Rennie; Linesmen - B. Wilkinson, T. Williams.

ADELAIDE CITY V MARCONI

VENUE: Olympic Sports Field.
DATE: Sunday, July 11.
KICK-OFF: 2.30 pm.
OFFICIALS: Referee - D. Campbell; Linesmen - A. Martell, J. Miller.



Newcastle's Col ("Bunny") Curran, about to take on Sydney City's Johnny Spanos.



Olympic goalkeeper Pete Wilson climbs high despite a small nudge from Canberra's George Christopoulos.

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES — ROUND 22: NEWCASTLE V WOLLONGONG, CANBERRA ARROWS V SOUTH MELBOURNE, FOOTSCRAY V SYDNEY CITY, BRISBANE CITY V WEST ADELAIDE, LEICHHARDT V SYDNEY OLYMPIC, HEIDELBERG V PRESTON, ST GEORGE V BRISBANE LIONS, ADELAIDE CITY V MARCONI